

Bill SB714/HB0968

UNFAVORABLE!!

Expanding functions for dental assistants equates to more services for less money. Typically these services would require a dental hygiene license. This bill benefits the DENTISTS but not an entire profession of hygienists who have constantly lobbied for an increase scope of practice but denied due to being governed by the same body who employs them. Dental assistants may get a slight pay increase but again, this overwhelmingly benefits Dentists. Dental Hygienists need to have their own boards just like nursing if we ever hope to advance our profession in this state. This bill is also vague in that it does not clearly define credentialing. Please make this bill more clear and stop putting forth legislation that solely benefits owners at the expense of workers. I see no equity here!

Thank You,

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