

SB 792 State Board of Dental Examiners – Expanded Function Dental Assistants – Education and Reinstatement

SUPPORT

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When the original bill was passed HB 968 in 2022, a number of compromise measures created an unforeseen complication in regard to fulfilling the educational requirements for Expanded Function Dental Assistants. This bill expands the authorization of the Board of Dental Examiners to permit courses from DALE FOUNDATION, an affiliate of the Dental Assisting National Board and Trapezio Orthodontic Assisting Solutions as permitted providers. The Board of Dental Examiners can approve courses both in person and online when appropriate for both initial certification and ongoing continuing educational requirements. The second correction this bill provides is with requirements for an expired certification to be reinstated.

I ask for a FAVORABLE REPORT on SB 792.

THANK YOU

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