

Amend CSSB 23 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. TESTIMONY OF MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS OF STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS. Section 254.018, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 254.018. [~~EXPERT~~] TESTIMONY. (a) A member or former member of the board may not express an oral or written opinion or serve as an expert witness in a suit involving a health care liability claim against a person licensed or registered under this subtitle [~~dentist~~] for injury to or death of a patient or for a violation of the standard of care or the commission of professional malpractice [~~unless the member receives approval from the board or an executive committee of the board to serve as an expert witness~~].

(b) This section applies to a former member of the board until the second anniversary of the date the member's term expires or the member resigns from the board.