

1-1 By: Cospers, et al. (Senate Sponsor - Buckingham) H.B. No. 2007
 1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 18, 2017;
 1-3 May 2, 2017, read first time and referred to Committee on Veteran
 1-4 Affairs & Border Security; May 11, 2017, reported favorably by the
 1-5 following vote: Yeas 6, Nays 0; May 11, 2017, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

| | Yea | Nay | Absent | PNV |
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1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
 1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the licensing and regulation of certain military
 1-18 dentists and dental hygienists who provide voluntary charity dental
 1-19 or dental hygiene care.

1-20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-21 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 256, Occupations Code, is
 1-22 amended by adding Section 256.1017 to read as follows:

1-23 Sec. 256.1017. MILITARY LIMITED VOLUNTEER LICENSE. (a)
 1-24 The board shall adopt rules relating to the issuance of a military
 1-25 limited volunteer license under this section.

1-26 (b) The board may issue a military limited volunteer license
 1-27 to practice dentistry to a dentist or a military limited volunteer
 1-28 license to practice dental hygiene to a dental hygienist who:

1-29 (1) is licensed and in good standing, or was licensed
 1-30 and retired in good standing, as a dentist or dental hygienist in
 1-31 another state;

1-32 (2) is or was authorized as a dentist or dental
 1-33 hygienist to treat personnel enlisted in a branch of the United
 1-34 States armed forces or veterans; and

1-35 (3) meets any other requirement prescribed by board
 1-36 rule.

1-37 (c) The board may not issue a license under this section to
 1-38 an applicant who:

1-39 (1) holds a dental or dental hygienist license that:
 1-40 (A) is currently under active investigation; or
 1-41 (B) is or was subject to a disciplinary order or
 1-42 action or to denial by another jurisdiction;

1-43 (2) holds a license to prescribe, dispense,
 1-44 administer, supply, or sell a controlled substance that:

1-45 (A) is currently under active investigation; or
 1-46 (B) is or was subject to a disciplinary order or
 1-47 action or to denial by another jurisdiction; or

1-48 (3) has been convicted of, is on deferred adjudication
 1-49 community supervision or deferred disposition for, or is under
 1-50 active investigation for the commission of:

1-51 (A) a felony; or
 1-52 (B) a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude.

1-53 (d) A dentist or dental hygienist may practice dentistry or
 1-54 dental hygiene under a license issued under this section only at a
 1-55 clinic that primarily treats indigent patients. The dentist or
 1-56 dental hygienist may not receive compensation for dental or dental
 1-57 hygiene services rendered at the clinic.

1-58 (e) A military limited volunteer license holder is subject
 1-59 to board rules, including rules regarding disciplinary action,
 1-60 license registration and renewal, and continuing education.

1-61 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

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