

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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H.B. 3152  
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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

It has been noted that pediatric dentists comprise a significant portion of the dentist population in Texas. There are concerns that the composition of the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners may not adequately represent these dentists. H.B. 3152 seeks to address these concerns by requiring one of the dentist members of the board to be a pediatric dentist.

H.B. 3152 amends the Occupations Code to require one of the dentist members of the State Board of Dental Examiners to be a pediatric dentist and provides for the transition to this membership requirement.

H.B. 3152 amends current law relating to the membership of the State Board of Dental Examiners.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 252.001, Occupations Code, by adding Subsection (a-1) to require one of the members of the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners (TSBDE) appointed under Subsection (a)(1) (relating to providing that six of the 11 members of TSBDE are dentists who meet certain criteria) to be a pediatric dentist.

SECTION 2. Makes application of Section 252.001, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, prospective. Authorizes a member of TSBDE appointed before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve until the expiration of the member's term. Requires the governor, as vacancies occur on TSBDE on and after the effective date of this Act, to appoint members having the qualifications required by the changes in law made by this Act.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.