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1 AN ACT relating to remedial plans issued by the State Board of Dental 2 3 Examiners to address complaints against dentists and dental 4 hygienists. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: 5 6 SECTION 1. Section 263.0077, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (f-1) to read as 7 follows: 8 The board may not issue a remedial plan to resolve a 9 (d) complaint against a license holder if the license holder has 10 entered into a remedial plan with the board in the preceding five 11 years [previously entered into a remedial plan with the board for 12 13 the resolution of a different complaint filed under this subtitle]. 14 (f-1) On or after the fifth anniversary of the date a 15 remedial plan is issued under this section, the board may remove from the board's public Internet website any public information 16 regarding the dentist or dental hygienist with respect to the plan 17 and the complaint resolved by the plan, unless: 18 19 (1) the complaint was related to the delivery of 20 health care; or (2) more than one remedial plan has been issued to 21 22 resolve complaints alleging the same violation by the dentist or dental hygienist, including a complaint not related to the delivery 23 24 of health care.

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1 SECTION 2. Section 263.0077, Occupations Code, as amended 2 by this Act, applies to a remedial plan issued by the State Board of 3 Dental Examiners on or after the effective date of this Act. A 4 remedial plan issued before that date is governed by the law in 5 effect on the date the plan was issued, and the former law is 6 continued in effect for that purpose.

7 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

President of the Senate Speaker of the House I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1534 passed the Senate on April 26, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 1534 passed the House on May 18, 2021, by the following vote: Yeas 134, Nays 3, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor