DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Senator Roessler:

Please review this bill to make sure that it achieves your intent. In particular, please note the following:

1. An applicant for renewal must submit a statement attesting that he or she has complied with continuing education requirements. The instructions appear to also require that an applicant submit signatures from course sponsors or organizations for which an applicant does volunteer work. I did not include the signature requirement because it seems inconsistent with your intent that an applicant should be required to submit proof of compliance only if he or she is audited by the examining board. Is that okay? Also, the bill allows, but does not require, the examining board to promulgate rules specifying the evidence that may be used to demonstrate compliance. Is that okay?

2. I don't think it's necessary to specify that hours may not be carried over from one 2–year renewal period to the next. As drafted, a licensee must complete 20 hours during a 2–year period. Therefore, carry–over is not allowed.

3. Regarding course sponsors, the instructions require affiliations to be disclosed. I'm not sure what that means. The bill requires organizations that are affiliated with a course to be clearly stated. Is that okay?

4. The bill requires the examining board to promulgate rules defining a "current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation." Rules may not be necessary if the certification requirements are commonly understood. Please let me know whether the rules are okay.

5. "Basic life support" is not defined. Is that okay, or do you want to create a definition comparable to s. 146.50 (1) (d), stats., which defines "basic life support" as "emergency medical care that is rendered to a sick, disabled or injured individual, based on signs, symptoms or complaints, prior to the individual's hospitalization or while transporting the individual between health care facilities and that is limited to use of the knowledge, skills and techniques received from training required for licensure as an emergency medical technician — basic, or for certification as a first responder."

6. The bill is delayed until November 1, 2003, or the day after publication, whichever is later. Therefore, the bill will not apply until dental hygienists apply to renew licenses

that expire on October 1, 2005. Note that, under s. 227.11 (2) (d), stats., the examining board is allowed to promulgate rules for implementing the bill's requirement before the bill actually goes into effect.

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