

# STATEMENT OF SCOPE

## DENTISTRY EXAMINING BOARD

Rule No.: DE 2

Relating to: Temporary Licenses

Rule Type: Both Permanent and Emergency

### 1. Finding/nature of emergency (Emergency Rule only):

Dental and dental hygiene testing services have delayed licensing exams due to the current pandemic situation. This is creating a delay for recent graduates of dental and dental hygiene programs from obtaining a license and beginning their practice. A delay for new graduates receiving licensure due to delayed licensure exams creates the inability for new dentists and dental hygienists to begin practice in areas of the state experiencing a dentistry services shortage.

### 2. Detailed description of the objective of the proposed rule:

The objective of the proposed rule is to create requirements for temporary licenses to practice dentistry and dental hygiene.

### 3. Description of the existing policies relevant to the rule, new policies proposed to be included in the rule, and an analysis of policy alternatives:

Current rules do not allow for temporary licenses to practice dentistry or dental hygiene.

Several health professions have temporary licenses to allow practice under supervision while waiting to take the licensure examinations. This proposed rule will create temporary dentist and dental hygiene license requirements.

### 4. Detailed explanation of statutory authority for the rule (including the statutory citation and language):

15.08(5)(b) Each Examining Board shall promulgate rules for its own guidance and for the guidance of the trade or profession to which it pertains, and define and enforce professional conduct and unethical practices not inconsistent with the law relating to the particular trade or profession.

447.02(1)(a) The Examining Board may promulgate rules governing the reexamination of an applicant who fails an examination specified in s. 447.04(1)(a)5. or (2)(a)5. The rules may specify additional educational requirements for those applicants and may specify the number of times an applicant may be examined.

447.02(1)(e) The Examining Board may promulgate rules providing for the granting of temporary licenses under this chapter.

### 5. Estimate of amount of time that state employees will spend developing the rule and of other resources necessary to develop the rule:

100 hours

### 6. List with description of all entities that may be affected by the proposed rule:

Applicants for dentist or dental hygienist licensure.


**7. Summary and preliminary comparison with any existing or proposed federal regulation that is intended to address the activities to be regulated by the proposed rule :**

None

**8. Anticipated economic impact of implementing the rule (note if the rule is likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses):**

None to minimal. This rule is not likely to have a significant economic impact on small businesses.

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