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1997 SENATE BILL 392

January 7, 1998 – Introduced by Senators Moen, Rosenzweig and Breske, cosponsored by Representatives Underheim, Kaufert, Wasserman, Musser, J. Lehman, Albers, Hanson, Goetsch, Staskunas, Johnsrud, Robson, Lorge, Plouff and Urban. Referred to Committee on Health, Human Services, Aging, Corrections, Veterans and Military Affairs.

AN ACT to amend 447.07 (3) (d) of the statutes; relating to: exemption from discipline for dentists who send impressions, measurements or patients to dental laboratories for shade verification.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the dentistry examining board (board) may take disciplinary action against a dentist who engages in certain specified conduct, including sending a patient or a patient's agent to a dental laboratory for any purpose or sending impressions or measurements to a dental laboratory without a written work authorization approved by the board. This bill exempts a dentist from disciplinary action if a patient or patient's agent or impressions or measurements are sent to a dental laboratory for purposes of shade verification.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 447.07 (3) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

447.07 (3) (d) Directly or indirectly sent, for a purpose other than shade verification, impressions or measurements to a dental laboratory without a written work authorization on a form approved by the examining board and signed by the authorizing dentist, or directly or indirectly sent a patient, or an agent of a patient,

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to a dental laboratory for any purpose other than for shade verification. The examining board or its agents or employes may inspect dental offices and the work authorization records of dental laboratories to determine compliance with this paragraph.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to patients, agents of patients, impressions or measurements that are sent to dental laboratories on the effective date of this subsection.

9 (END)