

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Regulatory Sunset Act is amended by changing
5 Section 4.26 and by adding Section 4.36 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 80/4.26)

7 Sec. 4.26. Acts repealed on January 1, 2016. The following
8 Acts are repealed on January 1, 2016:

9 The Illinois Athletic Trainers Practice Act.

10 The Illinois Roofing Industry Licensing Act.

11 ~~The Illinois Dental Practice Act.~~

12 The Collection Agency Act.

13 The Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and
14 Nail Technology Act of 1985.

15 The Respiratory Care Practice Act.

16 The Hearing Instrument Consumer Protection Act.

17 The Illinois Physical Therapy Act.

18 The Professional Geologist Licensing Act.

19 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 95-876, eff. 8-21-08;
20 96-1246, eff. 1-1-11.)

21 (5 ILCS 80/4.36 new)

22 Sec. 4.36. Act repealed on January 1, 2026. The following

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2 The Illinois Dental Practice Act.

3 Section 10. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by
4 changing Sections 4, 6, 8.5, 16.1, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29,
5 30, 41, and 50 and by adding Section 18.1 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 25/4) (from Ch. 111, par. 2304)

7 (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 99-25)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

9 Sec. 4. Definitions. As used in this Act:

10 "Address of record" means the designated address recorded
11 by the Department in the applicant's or licensee's application
12 file or license file as maintained by the Department's
13 licensure maintenance unit. It is the duty of the applicant or
14 licensee to inform the Department of any change of address and
15 those changes must be made either through the Department's
16 website or by contacting the Department.

17 "Department" means the Department of Financial and
18 Professional Regulation.

19 "Secretary" means the Secretary of Financial and
20 Professional Regulation.

21 "Board" means the Board of Dentistry.

22 "Dentist" means a person who has received a general license
23 pursuant to paragraph (a) of Section 11 of this Act and who may
24 perform any intraoral and extraoral procedure required in the

1 practice of dentistry and to whom is reserved the
2 responsibilities specified in Section 17.

3 "Dental hygienist" means a person who holds a license under
4 this Act to perform dental services as authorized by Section
5 18.

6 "Dental assistant" means an appropriately trained person
7 who, under the supervision of a dentist, provides dental
8 services as authorized by Section 17.

9 "Dental laboratory" means a person, firm or corporation
10 which:

11 (i) engages in making, providing, repairing or
12 altering dental prosthetic appliances and other artificial
13 materials and devices which are returned to a dentist for
14 insertion into the human oral cavity or which come in
15 contact with its adjacent structures and tissues; and

16 (ii) utilizes or employs a dental technician to provide
17 such services; and

18 (iii) performs such functions only for a dentist or
19 dentists.

20 "Supervision" means supervision of a dental hygienist or a
21 dental assistant requiring that a dentist authorize the
22 procedure, remain in the dental facility while the procedure is
23 performed, and approve the work performed by the dental
24 hygienist or dental assistant before dismissal of the patient,
25 but does not mean that the dentist must be present at all times
26 in the treatment room.

1 "General supervision" means supervision of a dental
2 hygienist requiring that the patient be a patient of record,
3 that the dentist examine the patient in accordance with Section
4 18 prior to treatment by the dental hygienist, and that the
5 dentist authorize the procedures which are being carried out by
6 a notation in the patient's record, but not requiring that a
7 dentist be present when the authorized procedures are being
8 performed. The issuance of a prescription to a dental
9 laboratory by a dentist does not constitute general
10 supervision.

11 "Public member" means a person who is not a health
12 professional. For purposes of board membership, any person with
13 a significant financial interest in a health service or
14 profession is not a public member.

15 "Dentistry" means the healing art which is concerned with
16 the examination, diagnosis, treatment planning and care of
17 conditions within the human oral cavity and its adjacent
18 tissues and structures, as further specified in Section 17.

19 "Branches of dentistry" means the various specialties of
20 dentistry which, for purposes of this Act, shall be limited to
21 the following: endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery,
22 orthodontics and dentofacial orthopedics, pediatric dentistry,
23 periodontics, prosthodontics, and oral and maxillofacial
24 radiology.

25 "Specialist" means a dentist who has received a specialty
26 license pursuant to Section 11(b).

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6 come in contact with its adjacent structures and tissues.

7 "Impaired dentist" or "impaired dental hygienist" means a
8 dentist or dental hygienist who is unable to practice with
9 reasonable skill and safety because of a physical or mental
10 disability as evidenced by a written determination or written
11 consent based on clinical evidence, including deterioration
12 through the aging process, loss of motor skills, abuse of drugs
13 or alcohol, or a psychiatric disorder, of sufficient degree to
14 diminish the person's ability to deliver competent patient
15 care.

16 "Nurse" means a registered professional nurse, a certified
17 registered nurse anesthetist licensed as an advanced practice
18 nurse, or a licensed practical nurse licensed under the Nurse
19 Practice Act.

20 "Patient of record" means a patient for whom the patient's
21 most recent dentist has obtained a relevant medical and dental
22 history and on whom the dentist has performed an examination
23 and evaluated the condition to be treated.

24 "Dental emergency responder" means a dentist or dental
25 hygienist who is appropriately certified in emergency medical
26 response, as defined by the Department of Public Health.

1 "Mobile dental van or portable dental unit" means any
2 self-contained or portable dental unit in which dentistry is
3 practiced that can be moved, towed, or transported from one
4 location to another in order to establish a location where
5 dental services can be provided.

6 "Public health dental hygienist" means a hygienist who
7 holds a valid license to practice in the State, has 2 years of
8 full-time clinical experience or an equivalent of 4,000 hours
9 of clinical experience and has completed 72 hours of additional
10 course work in areas specific to public health dentistry,
11 including, but not limited to, emergency procedures for
12 medically compromised patients, pharmacology, medical
13 recordkeeping procedures, geriatric dentistry, pediatric
14 dentistry, and pathology, and works in a public health setting
15 pursuant to a written public health supervision agreement as
16 defined by rule by the Department with a dentist working in or
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18 institution or who is providing services as part of a certified
19 school-based program or school-based oral health program.

20 "Public health setting" means a federally qualified health
21 center; a federal, State, or local public health facility; Head
22 Start; a special supplemental nutrition program for Women,
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10 (Source: P.A. 97-526, eff. 1-1-12; 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

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16 poverty level.

17 (Source: P.A. 99-25, eff. 1-1-16.)

18 (225 ILCS 25/6) (from Ch. 111, par. 2306)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

20 Sec. 6. Board of Dentistry - Report By Majority Required.
21 There is created a Board of Dentistry, to be composed of
22 persons designated from time to time by the Secretary, as
23 follows:

24 Eleven persons, 8 of whom have been dentists for a period
25 of 5 years or more; 2 of whom have been dental hygienists for a

1 period of 5 years or more, and one public member. None of the
2 members shall be an officer, dean, assistant dean, or associate
3 dean of a dental college or dental department of an institute
4 of learning, nor shall any member be the program director of
5 any dental hygiene program. A board member who holds a faculty
6 position in a dental school or dental hygiene program shall not
7 participate in the examination of applicants for licenses from
8 that school or program. The dental hygienists shall not
9 participate in the examination of applicants for licenses to
10 practice dentistry. The public member shall not participate in
11 the examination of applicants for licenses to practice
12 dentistry or dental hygiene. The board shall annually elect a
13 chairman and vice-chairman who shall be dentists ~~a dentist~~.

14 Terms for all members shall be for 4 years. Partial terms
15 over 2 years in length shall be considered as full terms. A
16 member may be reappointed for a successive term, but no member
17 shall serve more than 2 full terms in his or her lifetime.

18 The membership of the Board shall include only residents
19 from various geographic areas of this State and shall include
20 at least some graduates from various institutions of dental
21 education in this State.

22 In making appointments to the Board the Secretary shall
23 give due consideration to recommendations by organizations of
24 the dental profession in Illinois, including the Illinois State
25 Dental Society and Illinois Dental Hygienists Association, and
26 shall promptly give due notice to such organizations of any

1 vacancy in the membership of the Board. The Secretary may
2 terminate the appointment of any member for cause which in the
3 opinion of the Secretary reasonably justifies such
4 termination.

5 A vacancy in the membership of the Board shall not impair
6 the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform
7 all the duties of the Board. Any action to be taken by the
8 Board under this Act may be authorized by resolution at any
9 regular or special meeting, and each such resolution shall take
10 effect immediately. The Board shall meet at least quarterly.
11 ~~The Board may adopt all rules and regulations necessary and~~
12 ~~incident to its powers and duties under this Act.~~

13 The members of the Board shall each receive as compensation
14 a reasonable sum as determined by the Secretary for each day
15 actually engaged in the duties of the office, and all
16 legitimate and necessary expense incurred in attending the
17 meetings of the Board.

18 Members of the Board shall be immune from suit in any
19 action based upon any disciplinary proceedings or other
20 activities performed in good faith as members of the Board.

21 (Source: P.A. 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

22 (225 ILCS 25/8.5)

23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

24 Sec. 8.5. Unlicensed practice; violation; civil penalty.

25 (a) Any person who practices, offers to practice, attempts

1 to practice, or holds oneself out to practice dentistry or
2 dental hygiene without being licensed under this Act shall, in
3 addition to any other penalty provided by law, pay a civil
4 penalty to the Department in an amount not to exceed \$10,000
5 for each offense as determined by the Department. The civil
6 penalty shall be assessed by the Department after a hearing is
7 held in accordance with the provisions set forth in this Act
8 regarding the provision of a hearing for the discipline of a
9 licensee.

10 (b) The Department has the authority and power to
11 investigate any and all unlicensed activity.

12 (c) The civil penalty shall be paid within 60 days after
13 the effective date of the order imposing the civil penalty. The
14 order shall constitute a judgment and may be filed and
15 execution had thereon in the same manner as any judgment from
16 any court of record.

17 (Source: P.A. 88-223; 89-80, eff. 6-30-95.)

18 (225 ILCS 25/16.1) (from Ch. 111, par. 2316.1)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

20 Sec. 16.1. Continuing education. The Department shall
21 promulgate rules of continuing education for persons licensed
22 under this Act. In establishing rules, the Department shall
23 require a minimum of 48 hours of study in approved courses for
24 dentists during each 3-year licensing period and a minimum of
25 36 hours of study in approved courses for dental hygienists

1 during each 3-year licensing period.

2 The Department shall approve only courses that are relevant
3 to the treatment and care of patients, including, but not
4 limited to, clinical courses in dentistry and dental hygiene
5 and nonclinical courses such as patient management, legal and
6 ethical responsibilities, and stress management. The
7 Department shall allow up to 4 hours of continuing education
8 credit hours per license renewal period for volunteer hours
9 spent providing clinical services at, or sponsored by, a
10 nonprofit community clinic, local or state health department,
11 or a charity event. Courses shall not be approved in such
12 subjects as estate and financial planning, investments, or
13 personal health. Approved courses may include, but shall not be
14 limited to, courses that are offered or sponsored by approved
15 colleges, universities, and hospitals and by recognized
16 national, State, and local dental and dental hygiene
17 organizations.

18 No license shall be renewed unless the renewal application
19 is accompanied by an affidavit indicating that the applicant
20 has completed the required minimum number of hours of
21 continuing education in approved courses as required by this
22 Section. The affidavit shall not require a listing of courses.
23 The affidavit shall be a prima facie evidence that the
24 applicant has obtained the minimum number of required
25 continuing education hours in approved courses. The Department
26 shall not be obligated to conduct random audits or otherwise

1 independently verify that an applicant has met the continuing
2 education requirement. The Department, however, may not
3 conduct random audits of more than 10% of the licensed dentists
4 and dental hygienists in any one licensing cycle to verify
5 compliance with continuing education requirements. If the
6 Department, however, receives a complaint that a licensee has
7 not completed the required continuing education or if the
8 Department is investigating another alleged violation of this
9 Act by a licensee, the Department may demand and shall be
10 entitled to receive evidence from any licensee of completion of
11 required continuing education courses for the most recently
12 completed 3-year licensing period. Evidence of continuing
13 education may include, but is not limited to, canceled checks,
14 official verification forms of attendance, and continuing
15 education recording forms, that demonstrate a reasonable
16 record of attendance. The Board shall determine, in accordance
17 with rules adopted by the Department, whether a licensee or
18 applicant has met the continuing education requirements. Any
19 dentist who holds more than one license under this Act shall be
20 required to complete only the minimum number of hours of
21 continuing education required for renewal of a single license.
22 The Department may provide exemptions from continuing
23 education requirements. ~~The exemptions shall include, but~~
24 ~~shall not be limited to, dentists and dental hygienists who~~
25 ~~agree not to practice within the State during the licensing~~
26 ~~period because they are retired from practice.~~

1 (Source: P.A. 97-526, eff. 1-1-12; 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

2 (225 ILCS 25/17) (from Ch. 111, par. 2317)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

4 Sec. 17. Acts Constituting the Practice of Dentistry. A
5 person practices dentistry, within the meaning of this Act:

6 (1) Who represents himself or herself as being able to
7 diagnose or diagnoses, treats, prescribes, or operates for
8 any disease, pain, deformity, deficiency, injury, or
9 physical condition of the human tooth, teeth, alveolar
10 process, gums or jaw; or

11 (2) Who is a manager, proprietor, operator or conductor
12 of a business where dental operations are performed; or

13 (3) Who performs dental operations of any kind; or

14 (4) Who uses an X-Ray machine or X-Ray films for dental
15 diagnostic purposes; or

16 (5) Who extracts a human tooth or teeth, or corrects or
17 attempts to correct malpositions of the human teeth or
18 jaws; or

19 (6) Who offers or undertakes, by any means or method,
20 to diagnose, treat or remove stains, calculus, and bonding
21 materials from human teeth or jaws; or

22 (7) Who uses or administers local or general
23 anesthetics in the treatment of dental or oral diseases or
24 in any preparation incident to a dental operation of any
25 kind or character; or

1 (8) Who takes impressions of the human tooth, teeth, or
2 jaws or performs any phase of any operation incident to the
3 replacement of a part of a tooth, a tooth, teeth or
4 associated tissues by means of a filling, crown, a bridge,
5 a denture or other appliance; or

6 (9) Who offers to furnish, supply, construct,
7 reproduce or repair, or who furnishes, supplies,
8 constructs, reproduces or repairs, prosthetic dentures,
9 bridges or other substitutes for natural teeth, to the user
10 or prospective user thereof; or

11 (10) Who instructs students on clinical matters or
12 performs any clinical operation included in the curricula
13 of recognized dental schools and colleges; or

14 (11) Who takes impressions of human teeth or places his
15 or her hands in the mouth of any person for the purpose of
16 applying teeth whitening materials, or who takes
17 impressions of human teeth or places his or her hands in
18 the mouth of any person for the purpose of assisting in the
19 application of teeth whitening materials. A person does not
20 practice dentistry when he or she discloses to the consumer
21 that he or she is not licensed as a dentist under this Act
22 and (i) discusses the use of teeth whitening materials with
23 a consumer purchasing these materials; (ii) provides
24 instruction on the use of teeth whitening materials with a
25 consumer purchasing these materials; or (iii) provides
26 appropriate equipment on-site to the consumer for the

1 consumer to self-apply teeth whitening materials.

2 The fact that any person engages in or performs, or offers
3 to engage in or perform, any of the practices, acts, or
4 operations set forth in this Section, shall be prima facie
5 evidence that such person is engaged in the practice of
6 dentistry.

7 The following practices, acts, and operations, however,
8 are exempt from the operation of this Act:

9 (a) The rendering of dental relief in emergency cases
10 in the practice of his or her profession by a physician or
11 surgeon, licensed as such under the laws of this State,
12 unless he or she undertakes to reproduce or reproduces lost
13 parts of the human teeth in the mouth or to restore or
14 replace lost or missing teeth in the mouth; or

15 (b) The practice of dentistry in the discharge of their
16 official duties by dentists in any branch of the Armed
17 Services of the United States, the United States Public
18 Health Service, or the United States Veterans
19 Administration; or

20 (c) The practice of dentistry by students in their
21 course of study in dental schools or colleges approved by
22 the Department, when acting under the direction and
23 supervision of dentists acting as instructors; or

24 (d) The practice of dentistry by clinical instructors
25 in the course of their teaching duties in dental schools or
26 colleges approved by the Department:

1 (i) when acting under the direction and
2 supervision of dentists, provided that such clinical
3 instructors have instructed continuously in this State
4 since January 1, 1986; or

5 (ii) when holding the rank of full professor at
6 such approved dental school or college and possessing a
7 current valid license or authorization to practice
8 dentistry in another country; or

9 (e) The practice of dentistry by licensed dentists of
10 other states or countries at meetings of the Illinois State
11 Dental Society or component parts thereof, alumni meetings
12 of dental colleges, or any other like dental organizations,
13 while appearing as clinicians; or

14 (f) The use of X-Ray machines for exposing X-Ray films
15 of dental or oral tissues by dental hygienists or dental
16 assistants; or

17 (g) The performance of any dental service by a dental
18 assistant, if such service is performed under the
19 supervision and full responsibility of a dentist.

20 For purposes of this paragraph (g), "dental service" is
21 defined to mean any intraoral procedure or act which shall
22 be prescribed by rule or regulation of the Department.
23 Dental service, however, shall not include:

24 (1) Any and all diagnosis of or prescription for
25 treatment of disease, pain, deformity, deficiency,
26 injury or physical condition of the human teeth or

1 jaws, or adjacent structures.

2 (2) Removal of, or restoration of, or addition to
3 the hard or soft tissues of the oral cavity, except for
4 the placing, carving, and finishing of amalgam
5 restorations by dental assistants who have had
6 additional formal education and certification as
7 determined by the Department. A dentist utilizing
8 dental assistants shall not supervise more than 4
9 dental assistants at any one time for placing, carving,
10 and finishing of amalgam restorations.

11 (3) Any and all correction of malformation of teeth
12 or of the jaws.

13 (4) Administration of anesthetics, except for
14 monitoring of nitrous oxide, conscious sedation, deep
15 sedation, and general anesthetic as provided in
16 Section 8.1 of this Act, that may be performed only
17 after successful completion of a training program
18 approved by the Department. A dentist utilizing dental
19 assistants shall not supervise more than 4 dental
20 assistants at any one time for the monitoring of
21 nitrous oxide.

22 (5) Removal of calculus from human teeth.

23 (6) Taking of impressions for the fabrication of
24 prosthetic appliances, crowns, bridges, inlays,
25 onlays, or other restorative or replacement dentistry.

26 (7) The operative procedure of dental hygiene

1 consisting of oral prophylactic procedures, except for
2 coronal polishing and pit and fissure sealants, which
3 may be performed by a dental assistant who has
4 successfully completed a training program approved by
5 the Department. Dental assistants may perform coronal
6 polishing under the following circumstances: (i) the
7 coronal polishing shall be limited to polishing the
8 clinical crown of the tooth and existing restorations,
9 supragingivally; (ii) the dental assistant performing
10 the coronal polishing shall be limited to the use of
11 rotary instruments using a rubber cup or brush
12 polishing method (air polishing is not permitted); and
13 (iii) the supervising dentist shall not supervise more
14 than 4 dental assistants at any one time for the task
15 of coronal polishing or pit and fissure sealants.

16 In addition to coronal polishing and pit and
17 fissure sealants as described in this item (7), a
18 dental assistant who has at least 2,000 hours of
19 clinical experience and who has successfully completed
20 a training program approved by rule by the Department
21 may perform: (A) coronal scaling above the gum line,
22 supragingivally, on the clinical crown of the tooth
23 only on patients 12 years of age or younger who have an
24 absence of periodontal disease and who are not
25 medically compromised or individuals with special
26 needs and (B) intracoronal temporization of a tooth.

1 The training program approved by the Department must:
2 (I) include a minimum of 16 hours of instruction in
3 both didactic and clinical manikin or human subject
4 instruction; all training programs shall include
5 courses in dental anatomy, public health dentistry,
6 medical history, dental emergencies, and managing the
7 pediatric patient; (II) include an outcome assessment
8 examination that demonstrates competency; (III)
9 require the supervising dentist to observe and approve
10 the completion of 6 full mouth supragingival scaling
11 procedures; and (IV) issue a certificate of completion
12 of the training program, which must be kept on file at
13 the dental office. A dental assistant must have
14 successfully completed an approved coronal polishing
15 course prior to taking the coronal scaling course. A
16 dental assistant performing these functions shall be
17 limited to the use of hand instruments only. In
18 addition, coronal scaling as described in this
19 paragraph shall only be utilized on patients who are
20 eligible for Medicaid or who are uninsured and whose
21 household income is not greater than 200% of the
22 federal poverty level. A dentist may not supervise more
23 than 2 dental assistants at any one time for the task
24 of coronal scaling. This paragraph is inoperative on
25 and after January 1, 2021.

26 The limitations on the number of dental assistants a

1 dentist may supervise contained in items (2), (4), and (7)
2 of this paragraph (g) mean a limit of 4 total dental
3 assistants or dental hygienists doing expanded functions
4 covered by these Sections being supervised by one dentist.

5 (h) The practice of dentistry by an individual who:

6 (i) has applied in writing to the Department, in
7 form and substance satisfactory to the Department, for
8 a general dental license and has complied with all
9 provisions of Section 9 of this Act, except for the
10 passage of the examination specified in subsection (e)
11 of Section 9 of this Act; or

12 (ii) has applied in writing to the Department, in
13 form and substance satisfactory to the Department, for
14 a temporary dental license and has complied with all
15 provisions of subsection (c) of Section 11 of this Act;
16 and

17 (iii) has been accepted or appointed for specialty
18 or residency training by a hospital situated in this
19 State; or

20 (iv) has been accepted or appointed for specialty
21 training in an approved dental program situated in this
22 State; or

23 (v) has been accepted or appointed for specialty
24 training in a dental public health agency situated in
25 this State.

26 The applicant shall be permitted to practice dentistry

1 for a period of 3 months from the starting date of the
2 program, unless authorized in writing by the Department to
3 continue such practice for a period specified in writing by
4 the Department.

5 The applicant shall only be entitled to perform such
6 acts as may be prescribed by and incidental to his or her
7 program of residency or specialty training and shall not
8 otherwise engage in the practice of dentistry in this
9 State.

10 The authority to practice shall terminate immediately
11 upon:

12 (1) the decision of the Department that the
13 applicant has failed the examination; or

14 (2) denial of licensure by the Department; or

15 (3) withdrawal of the application.

16 (Source: P.A. 97-526, eff. 1-1-12; 97-886, eff. 8-2-12;
17 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12; 98-147, eff. 1-1-14; 98-463, eff.
18 8-16-13; 98-756, eff. 7-16-14.)

19 (225 ILCS 25/18) (from Ch. 111, par. 2318)

20 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

21 Sec. 18. Acts constituting the practice of dental hygiene;
22 limitations.

23 (a) A person practices dental hygiene within the meaning of
24 this Act when he or she performs the following acts under the
25 supervision of a dentist:

1 (i) the operative procedure of dental hygiene,
2 consisting of oral prophylactic procedures;

3 (ii) the exposure and processing of X-Ray films of
4 the teeth and surrounding structures;

5 (iii) the application to the surfaces of the teeth
6 or gums of chemical compounds designed to be
7 desensitizing agents or effective agents in the
8 prevention of dental caries or periodontal disease;

9 (iv) all services which may be performed by a
10 dental assistant as specified by rule pursuant to
11 Section 17, and a dental hygienist may engage in the
12 placing, carving, and finishing of amalgam
13 restorations only after obtaining formal education and
14 certification as determined by the Department;

15 (v) administration and monitoring of nitrous oxide
16 upon successful completion of a training program
17 approved by the Department;

18 (vi) administration of local anesthetics upon
19 successful completion of a training program approved
20 by the Department; and

21 (vii) such other procedures and acts as shall be
22 prescribed by rule or regulation of the Department.

23 (b) A dental hygienist may be employed or engaged only:

24 (1) by a dentist;

25 (2) by a federal, State, county, or municipal agency or
26 institution;

1 (3) by a public or private school; or

2 (4) by a public clinic operating under the direction of
3 a hospital or federal, State, county, municipal, or other
4 public agency or institution.

5 (c) When employed or engaged in the office of a dentist, a
6 dental hygienist may perform, under general supervision, those
7 procedures found in items (i) through (iv) of subsection (a) of
8 this Section, provided the patient has been examined by the
9 dentist within one year of the provision of dental hygiene
10 services, the dentist has approved the dental hygiene services
11 by a notation in the patient's record and the patient has been
12 notified that the dentist may be out of the office during the
13 provision of dental hygiene services.

14 (d) If a patient of record is unable to travel to a dental
15 office because of illness, infirmity, or imprisonment, a dental
16 hygienist may perform, under the general supervision of a
17 dentist, those procedures found in items (i) through (iv) of
18 subsection (a) of this Section, provided the patient is located
19 in a long-term care facility licensed by the State of Illinois,
20 a mental health or developmental disability facility, or a
21 State or federal prison. The dentist shall personally examine
22 and diagnose the patient and determine which services are
23 necessary to be performed, which shall be contained in an order
24 to the hygienist and a notation in the patient's record. Such
25 order must be implemented within 120 days of its issuance, and
26 an updated medical history and observation of oral conditions

1 must be performed by the hygienist immediately prior to
2 beginning the procedures to ensure that the patient's health
3 has not changed in any manner to warrant a reexamination by the
4 dentist.

5 (e) School-based oral health care, consisting of and
6 limited to oral prophylactic procedures, sealants, and
7 fluoride treatments, may be provided by a dental hygienist
8 under the general supervision of a dentist. A dental hygienist
9 may not provide other dental hygiene treatment in a
10 school-based setting, including but not limited to
11 administration or monitoring of nitrous oxide or
12 administration of local anesthetics. The school-based
13 procedures may be performed provided the patient is located at
14 a public or private school and the program is being conducted
15 by a State, county or local public health department initiative
16 or in conjunction with a dental school or dental hygiene
17 program. The dentist shall personally examine and diagnose the
18 patient and determine which services are necessary to be
19 performed, which shall be contained in an order to the
20 hygienist and a notation in the patient's record. Any such
21 order for sealants must be implemented within 120 days after
22 its issuance. Any such order for oral prophylactic procedures
23 or fluoride treatments must be implemented within 180 days
24 after its issuance. An updated medical history and observation
25 of oral conditions must be performed by the hygienist
26 immediately prior to beginning the procedures to ensure that

1 the patient's health has not changed in any manner to warrant a
2 reexamination by the dentist.

3 (f) Without the supervision of a dentist, a dental
4 hygienist may perform dental health education functions and may
5 record case histories and oral conditions observed.

6 (g) The number of dental hygienists practicing in a dental
7 office shall not exceed, at any one time, 4 times the number of
8 dentists practicing in the office at the time.

9 (h) A dental hygienist who is certified as a public health
10 dental hygienist may provide services to patients: (1) who are
11 eligible for Medicaid or (2) who are uninsured and whose
12 household income is not greater than 200% of the federal
13 poverty level. A public health dental hygienist may perform
14 oral assessments, perform screenings, and provide educational
15 and preventative services as provided in subsection (b) of
16 Section 18.1 of this Act. The public health dental hygienist
17 may not administer local anesthesia or nitrous oxide, or place,
18 carve, or finish amalgam restorations or provide periodontal
19 therapy under this exception. Each patient must sign a consent
20 form that acknowledges that the care received does not take the
21 place of a regular dental examination. The public health dental
22 hygienist must provide the patient or guardian a written
23 referral to a dentist for assessment of the need for further
24 dental care at the time of treatment. Any indication or
25 observation of a condition that could warrant the need for
26 urgent attention must be reported immediately to the

1 supervising dentist for appropriate assessment and treatment.

2 This subsection (h) is inoperative on and after January 1,
3 2021.

4 (Source: P.A. 97-526, eff. 1-1-12.)

5 (225 ILCS 25/18.1 new)

6 Sec. 18.1. Public health dental supervision
7 responsibilities.

8 (a) When working together in a public health supervision
9 relationship, dentists and public health dental hygienists
10 shall enter into a public health supervision agreement. The
11 dentist providing public health supervision must:

12 (1) be available to provide an appropriate level of
13 contact, communication, collaboration, and consultation
14 with the public health dental hygienist and must meet
15 in-person with the public health dental hygienist at least
16 quarterly for review and consultation;

17 (2) have specific standing orders or policy guidelines
18 for procedures that are to be carried out for each location
19 or program, although the dentist need not be present when
20 the procedures are being performed;

21 (3) provide for the patient's additional necessary
22 care in consultation with the public health dental
23 hygienist;

24 (4) file agreements and notifications as required; and

25 (5) include procedures for creating and maintaining

1 dental records, including protocols for transmission of
2 all records between the public health dental hygienist and
3 the dentist following each treatment, which shall include a
4 notation regarding procedures authorized by the dentist
5 and performed by the public health dental hygienist and the
6 location where those records are to be kept.

7 Each dentist and hygienist who enters into a public health
8 supervision agreement must document and maintain a copy of any
9 change or termination of that agreement.

10 Dental records shall be owned and maintained by the
11 supervising dentist for all patients treated under public
12 health supervision, unless the supervising dentist is an
13 employee of a public health clinic or federally qualified
14 health center, in which case the public health clinic or
15 federally qualified health center shall maintain the records.

16 If a dentist ceases to be employed or contracted by the
17 facility, the dentist shall notify the facility administrator
18 that the public health supervision agreement is no longer in
19 effect. A new public health supervision agreement is required
20 for the public health dental hygienist to continue treating
21 patients under public health supervision.

22 A dentist entering into an agreement under this Section may
23 supervise and enter into agreements for public health
24 supervision with 2 public health dental hygienists. This shall
25 be in addition to the limit of 4 dental hygienists per dentist
26 set forth in subsection (g) of Section 18 of this Act.

1 (b) A public health dental hygienist providing services
2 under public health supervision may perform only those duties
3 within the accepted scope of practice of dental hygiene, as
4 follows:

5 (1) the operative procedures of dental hygiene,
6 consisting of oral prophylactic procedures, including
7 prophylactic cleanings, application of fluoride, and
8 placement of sealants;

9 (2) the exposure and processing of x-ray films of the
10 teeth and surrounding structures; and

11 (3) such other procedures and acts as shall be
12 prescribed by rule of the Department.

13 Any patient treated under this subsection (b) must be
14 examined by a dentist before additional services can be
15 provided by a public health dental hygienist.

16 (c) A public health dental hygienist providing services
17 under public health supervision must:

18 (1) provide to the patient, parent, or guardian a
19 written plan for referral or an agreement for follow-up
20 that records all conditions observed that should be called
21 to the attention of a dentist for proper diagnosis;

22 (2) have each patient sign a permission slip or consent
23 form that informs them that the service to be received does
24 not take the place of regular dental checkups at a dental
25 office and is meant for people who otherwise would not have
26 access to the service;

1 (3) inform each patient who may require further dental
2 services of that need;

3 (4) maintain an appropriate level of contact and
4 communication with the dentist providing public health
5 supervision; and

6 (5) complete an additional 4 hours of continuing
7 education in areas specific to public health dentistry
8 yearly.

9 (d) Each public health dental hygienist who has rendered
10 services under subsections (c), (d), and (e) of this Section
11 must complete a summary report at the completion of a program
12 or, in the case of an ongoing program, at least annually. The
13 report must be completed in the manner specified by the
14 Division of Oral Health in the Department of Public Health
15 including information about each location where the public
16 health dental hygienist has rendered these services. The public
17 health dental hygienist must submit the form to the dentist
18 providing supervision for his or her signature before sending
19 it to the Division.

20 (e) Public health dental hygienists providing services
21 under public health supervision may be compensated for their
22 work by salary, honoraria, and other mechanisms by the
23 employing or sponsoring entity. Nothing in this Act shall
24 preclude the entity that employs or sponsors a public health
25 dental hygienist from seeking payment, reimbursement, or other
26 source of funding for the services provided.

1 (f) This Section is repealed on January 1, 2021.

2 (225 ILCS 25/23) (from Ch. 111, par. 2323)

3 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

4 Sec. 23. Refusal, revocation or suspension of dental
5 licenses. The Department may refuse to issue or renew, or may
6 revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand or take other
7 disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the Department may
8 deem proper, including imposing fines not to exceed \$10,000 per
9 violation, with regard to any license for any one or any
10 combination of the following causes:

11 1. Fraud or misrepresentation in applying for or
12 procuring a license under this Act, or in connection with
13 applying for renewal of a license under this Act.

14 2. Inability to practice with reasonable judgment,
15 skill, or safety as a result of habitual or excessive use
16 or addiction to alcohol, narcotics, stimulants, or any
17 other chemical agent or drug.

18 3. Willful or repeated violations of the rules of the
19 Department of Public Health or Department of Nuclear
20 Safety.

21 4. Acceptance of a fee for service as a witness,
22 without the knowledge of the court, in addition to the fee
23 allowed by the court.

24 5. Division of fees or agreeing to split or divide the
25 fees received for dental services with any person for

1 bringing or referring a patient, except in regard to
2 referral services as provided for under Section 45, or
3 assisting in the care or treatment of a patient, without
4 the knowledge of the patient or his or her legal
5 representative. Nothing in this item 5 affects any bona
6 fide independent contractor or employment arrangements
7 among health care professionals, health facilities, health
8 care providers, or other entities, except as otherwise
9 prohibited by law. Any employment arrangements may include
10 provisions for compensation, health insurance, pension, or
11 other employment benefits for the provision of services
12 within the scope of the licensee's practice under this Act.
13 Nothing in this item 5 shall be construed to require an
14 employment arrangement to receive professional fees for
15 services rendered.

16 6. Employing, procuring, inducing, aiding or abetting
17 a person not licensed or registered as a dentist or dental
18 hygienist to engage in the practice of dentistry or dental
19 hygiene. The person practiced upon is not an accomplice,
20 employer, procurer, inducer, aider, or abetter within the
21 meaning of this Act.

22 7. Making any misrepresentations or false promises,
23 directly or indirectly, to influence, persuade or induce
24 dental patronage.

25 8. Professional connection or association with or
26 lending his or her name to another for the illegal practice

1 of dentistry by another, or professional connection or
2 association with any person, firm or corporation holding
3 himself, herself, themselves, or itself out in any manner
4 contrary to this Act.

5 9. Obtaining or seeking to obtain practice, money, or
6 any other things of value by false or fraudulent
7 representations, but not limited to, engaging in such
8 fraudulent practice to defraud the medical assistance
9 program of the Department of Healthcare and Family Services
10 (formerly Department of Public Aid) under the Illinois
11 Public Aid Code.

12 10. Practicing under a false or, except as provided by
13 law, an assumed name.

14 11. Engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or
15 unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive,
16 defraud, or harm the public.

17 12. Conviction by plea of guilty or nolo contendere,
18 finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or by
19 sentencing for any crime, including, but not limited to,
20 convictions, preceding sentences of supervision,
21 conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under
22 the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States that (i)
23 is a felony under the laws of this State or (ii) is a
24 misdemeanor, an essential element of which is dishonesty,
25 or that is directly related to the practice of dentistry.

26 13. Permitting a dental hygienist, dental assistant or

1 other person under his or her supervision to perform any
2 operation not authorized by this Act.

3 14. Permitting more than 4 dental hygienists to be
4 employed under his or her supervision at any one time.

5 15. A violation of any provision of this Act or any
6 rules promulgated under this Act.

7 16. Taking impressions for or using the services of any
8 person, firm or corporation violating this Act.

9 17. Violating any provision of Section 45 relating to
10 advertising.

11 18. Discipline by another U.S. jurisdiction or foreign
12 nation, if at least one of the grounds for the discipline
13 is the same or substantially equivalent to those set forth
14 within this Act.

15 19. Willfully failing to report an instance of
16 suspected child abuse or neglect as required by the Abused
17 and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

18 20. Gross negligence in practice under this Act.

19 21. The use or prescription for use of narcotics or
20 controlled substances or designated products as listed in
21 the Illinois Controlled Substances Act, in any way other
22 than for therapeutic purposes.

23 22. Willfully making or filing false records or reports
24 in his or her practice as a dentist, including, but not
25 limited to, false records to support claims against the
26 dental assistance program of the Department of Healthcare

1 and Family Services (formerly Illinois Department of
2 Public Aid).

3 23. Professional incompetence as manifested by poor
4 standards of care.

5 24. Physical or mental illness, including, but not
6 limited to, deterioration through the aging process, or
7 loss of motor skills which results in a dentist's inability
8 to practice dentistry with reasonable judgment, skill or
9 safety. In enforcing this paragraph, the Department may
10 compel a person licensed to practice under this Act to
11 submit to a mental or physical examination pursuant to the
12 terms and conditions of Section 23b.

13 25. Gross or repeated irregularities in billing for
14 services rendered to a patient. For purposes of this
15 paragraph 25, "irregularities in billing" shall include:

16 (a) Reporting excessive charges for the purpose of
17 obtaining a total payment in excess of that usually
18 received by the dentist for the services rendered.

19 (b) Reporting charges for services not rendered.

20 (c) Incorrectly reporting services rendered for
21 the purpose of obtaining payment not earned.

22 26. Continuing the active practice of dentistry while
23 knowingly having any infectious, communicable, or
24 contagious disease proscribed by rule or regulation of the
25 Department.

26 27. Being named as a perpetrator in an indicated report

1 by the Department of Children and Family Services pursuant
2 to the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act, and upon
3 proof by clear and convincing evidence that the licensee
4 has caused a child to be an abused child or neglected child
5 as defined in the Abused and Neglected Child Reporting Act.

6 28. Violating the Health Care Worker Self-Referral
7 Act.

8 29. Abandonment of a patient.

9 30. Mental incompetency as declared by a court of
10 competent jurisdiction.

11 31. A finding by the Department that the licensee,
12 after having his or her license placed on probationary
13 status, has violated the terms of probation.

14 32. Material misstatement in furnishing information to
15 the Department.

16 33. Failing, within 60 days, to provide information in
17 response to a written request by the Department in the
18 course of an investigation.

19 34. Immoral conduct in the commission of any act,
20 including, but not limited to, commission of an act of
21 sexual misconduct related to the licensee's practice.

22 35. Cheating on or attempting to subvert the licensing
23 examination administered under this Act.

24 36. A pattern of practice or other behavior that
25 demonstrates incapacity or incompetence to practice under
26 this Act.

1 37. Failure to establish and maintain records of
2 patient care and treatment as required under this Act.

3 38. Failure to provide copies of dental records as
4 required by law.

5 All proceedings to suspend, revoke, place on probationary
6 status, or take any other disciplinary action as the Department
7 may deem proper, with regard to a license on any of the
8 foregoing grounds, must be commenced within 5 ~~3~~ years after
9 receipt by the Department of a complaint alleging the
10 commission of or notice of the conviction order for any of the
11 acts described herein. Except for fraud in procuring a license,
12 no action shall be commenced more than 7 ~~5~~ years after the date
13 of the incident or act alleged to have violated this Section.
14 The time during which the holder of the license was outside the
15 State of Illinois shall not be included within any period of
16 time limiting the commencement of disciplinary action by the
17 Department.

18 All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within
19 60 days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine
20 or in accordance with the terms set forth in the order imposing
21 the fine.

22 The Department may refuse to issue or may suspend the
23 license of any person who fails to file a return, or to pay the
24 tax, penalty or interest shown in a filed return, or to pay any
25 final assessment of tax, penalty or interest, as required by
26 any tax Act administered by the Illinois Department of Revenue,

1 until such time as the requirements of any such tax Act are
2 satisfied.

3 Any dentist who has had his or her license suspended or
4 revoked for more than 5 years must comply with the requirements
5 for restoration set forth in Section 16 prior to being eligible
6 for reinstatement from the suspension or revocation.

7 (Source: P.A. 96-1482, eff. 11-29-10; 97-102, eff. 7-14-11;
8 97-813, eff. 7-13-12; 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

9 (225 ILCS 25/24) (from Ch. 111, par. 2324)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

11 Sec. 24. Refusal, Suspension or Revocation of Dental
12 Hygienist License. The Department may refuse to issue or renew
13 or may revoke, suspend, place on probation, reprimand or take
14 other disciplinary or non-disciplinary action as the
15 Department may deem proper, including imposing fines not to
16 exceed \$10,000 per violation, with regard to any dental
17 hygienist license for any one or any combination of the
18 following causes:

19 1. Fraud or misrepresentation in applying for or
20 procuring a license under this Act, or in connection with
21 applying for renewal of a license under this Act.

22 2. Performing any operation not authorized by this Act.

23 3. Practicing dental hygiene other than under the
24 supervision of a licensed dentist as provided by this Act.

25 4. The wilful violation of, or the wilful procuring of,

1 or knowingly assisting in the violation of, any Act which
2 is now or which hereafter may be in force in this State
3 relating to the use of habit-forming drugs.

4 5. The obtaining of, or an attempt to obtain a license,
5 or practice in the profession, or money, or any other thing
6 of value by fraudulent representation.

7 6. Gross negligence in performing the operative
8 procedure of dental hygiene.

9 7. Active practice of dental hygiene while knowingly
10 having any infectious, communicable, or contagious disease
11 proscribed by rule or regulation of the Department.

12 8. Inability to practice with reasonable judgment,
13 skill, or safety as a result of habitual or excessive use
14 or addiction to alcohol, narcotics, stimulants, or any
15 other chemical agent or drug.

16 9. Conviction by plea of guilty or nolo contendere,
17 finding of guilt, jury verdict, or entry of judgment or by
18 sentencing of any crime, including, but not limited to,
19 convictions, preceding sentences of supervision,
20 conditional discharge, or first offender probation, under
21 the laws of any jurisdiction of the United States that (i)
22 is a felony or (ii) is a misdemeanor, an essential element
23 of which is dishonesty, or that is directly related to the
24 practice of dental hygiene.

25 10. Aiding or abetting the unlicensed practice of
26 dentistry or dental hygiene.

1 11. Discipline by another U.S. jurisdiction or a
2 foreign nation, if at least one of the grounds for the
3 discipline is the same or substantially equivalent to those
4 set forth in this Act.

5 12. Violating the Health Care Worker Self-Referral
6 Act.

7 13. Violating the prohibitions of Section 38.1 of this
8 Act.

9 14. Engaging in dishonorable, unethical, or
10 unprofessional conduct of a character likely to deceive,
11 defraud, or harm the public.

12 15. A finding by the Department that the licensee,
13 after having his or her license placed on probationary
14 status, has violated the terms of probation.

15 16. Material misstatement in furnishing information to
16 the Department.

17 17. Failing, within 60 days, to provide information in
18 response to a written request by the Department in the
19 course of an investigation.

20 18. Immoral conduct in the commission of any act,
21 including, but not limited to, commission of an act of
22 sexual misconduct related to the licensee's practice.

23 19. Cheating on or attempting to subvert the licensing
24 examination administered under this Act.

25 20. Violations of this Act or of the rules promulgated
26 under this Act.

1 21. Practicing under a false or, except as provided by
2 law, an assumed name.

3 The provisions of this Act relating to proceedings for the
4 suspension and revocation of a license to practice dentistry
5 shall apply to proceedings for the suspension or revocation of
6 a license as a dental hygienist.

7 All proceedings to suspend, revoke, place on probationary
8 status, or take any other disciplinary action as the Department
9 may deem proper with regard to a license on any of the grounds
10 contained in this Section, must be commenced within 5 years
11 after receipt by the Department of a complaint alleging the
12 commission of or notice of the conviction order for any of the
13 acts described in this Section. Except for fraud in procuring a
14 license, no action shall be commenced more than 7 years after
15 the date of the incident or act alleged to have violated this
16 Section. The time during which the holder of the license was
17 outside the State of Illinois shall not be included within any
18 period of time limiting the commencement of disciplinary action
19 by the Department.

20 All fines imposed under this Section shall be paid within
21 60 days after the effective date of the order imposing the fine
22 or in accordance with the terms set forth in the order imposing
23 the fine.

24 Any dental hygienist who has had his or her license
25 suspended or revoked for more than 5 years must comply with the
26 requirements for restoration set forth in Section 16 prior to

1 being eligible for reinstatement from the suspension or
2 revocation.

3 (Source: P.A. 97-102, eff. 7-14-11; 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

4 (225 ILCS 25/25) (from Ch. 111, par. 2325)

5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

6 Sec. 25. Notice of hearing; investigations and informal
7 conferences.

8 (a) Upon the motion of either the Department or the Board
9 or upon the verified complaint in writing of any person setting
10 forth facts which if proven would constitute grounds for
11 refusal, suspension or revocation of license under this Act,
12 the Board shall investigate the actions of any person,
13 hereinafter called the respondent, who holds or represents that
14 he or she holds a license. All such motions or complaints shall
15 be brought to the Board.

16 (b) Prior to taking an in-person statement from a dentist
17 or dental hygienist who is the subject of a complaint, the
18 investigator shall inform the dentist or the dental hygienist
19 in writing:

20 (1) that the dentist or dental hygienist is the subject
21 of a complaint;

22 (2) that the dentist or dental hygienist need not
23 immediately proceed with the interview and may seek
24 appropriate consultation prior to consenting to the
25 interview; and

1 (3) that failure of the dentist or dental hygienist to
2 proceed with the interview shall not prohibit the
3 Department from conducting a visual inspection of the
4 facility.

5 A Department investigator's failure to comply with this
6 subsection may not be the sole ground for dismissal of any
7 order of the Department filed upon a finding of a violation or
8 for dismissal of a pending investigation.

9 (b-5) The duly authorized dental investigators of the
10 Department shall have the right to enter and inspect, during
11 business hours, the business premises of a dentist licensed
12 under this Act or of a person who holds himself or herself out
13 as practicing dentistry, with due consideration for patient
14 care of the subject of the investigation, so as to inspect the
15 physical premises and equipment and furnishings therein. This
16 right of inspection shall not include inspection of business,
17 medical, or personnel records located on the premises without a
18 Department subpoena issued in accordance with Section 25.1 of
19 this Act or Section 2105-105 of the Department of Professional
20 Regulation Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.
21 For the purposes of this Section, "business premises" means the
22 office or offices where the dentist conducts the practice of
23 dentistry.

24 (c) If the Department concludes on the basis of a complaint
25 or its initial investigation that there is a possible violation
26 of the Act, the Department may:

- 1 (1) schedule a hearing pursuant to this Act; or
- 2 (2) request in writing that the dentist or dental
- 3 hygienist being investigated attend an informal conference
- 4 with representatives of the Department.

5 The request for an informal conference shall contain the
6 nature of the alleged actions or inactions that constitute the
7 possible violations.

8 A dentist or dental hygienist shall be allowed to have
9 legal counsel at the informal conference. If the informal
10 conference results in a consent order between the accused
11 dentist or dental hygienist and the Department, the consent
12 order must be approved by the Secretary. However, if the
13 consent order would result in a fine exceeding \$10,000 or the
14 suspension or revocation of the dentist or dental hygienist
15 license, the consent order must be approved by the Board and
16 the Secretary. Participation in the informal conference by a
17 dentist, a dental hygienist, or the Department and any
18 admissions or stipulations made by a dentist, a dental
19 hygienist, or the Department at the informal conference,
20 including any agreements in a consent order that is
21 subsequently disapproved by either the Board or the Secretary,
22 shall not be used against the dentist, dental hygienist, or
23 Department at any subsequent hearing and shall not become a
24 part of the record of the hearing.

25 (d) The Secretary shall, before suspending, revoking,
26 placing on probationary status, or taking any other

1 disciplinary action as the Secretary may deem proper with
2 regard to any license, at least 30 days prior to the date set
3 for the hearing, notify the respondent in writing of any
4 charges made and the time and place for a hearing of the
5 charges before the Board, direct him or her to file his or her
6 written answer thereto to the Board under oath within 20 days
7 after the service on him or her of such notice and inform him
8 or her that if he or she fails to file such answer default will
9 be taken against him or her and his or her license may be
10 suspended, revoked, placed on probationary status, or other
11 disciplinary action may be taken with regard thereto, including
12 limiting the scope, nature or extent of his or her practice, as
13 the Secretary may deem proper.

14 (e) Such written notice and any notice in such proceedings
15 thereafter may be served by delivery personally to the
16 respondent, or by registered or certified mail to the address
17 last theretofore specified by the respondent in his or her last
18 notification to the Secretary.

19 (Source: P.A. 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

20 (225 ILCS 25/26) (from Ch. 111, par. 2326)

21 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

22 Sec. 26. Disciplinary actions.

23 (a) In case the respondent, after receiving notice, fails
24 to file an answer, his or her license may, in the discretion of
25 the Secretary, having first received the recommendation of the

1 Board, be suspended, revoked, placed on probationary status, or
2 the Secretary may take whatever disciplinary or
3 non-disciplinary action he or she may deem proper, including
4 limiting the scope, nature, or extent of the person's practice
5 or the imposition of a fine, without a hearing, if the act or
6 acts charged constitute sufficient grounds for such action
7 under this Act.

8 (b) The Secretary may temporarily suspend the license of a
9 dentist or dental hygienist without a hearing, simultaneous to
10 the institution of proceedings for a hearing under this Act, if
11 the Secretary finds that evidence in his or her possession
12 indicates that a dentist's or dental hygienist's continuation
13 in practice would constitute an immediate danger to the public.
14 In the event that the Secretary temporarily suspends the
15 license of a dentist or a dental hygienist without a hearing, a
16 hearing by the Board must be held within 15 days after such
17 suspension has occurred.

18 (c) The entry of a judgment by any circuit court
19 establishing that any person holding a license under this Act
20 is a person subject to involuntary admission under the Mental
21 Health and Developmental Disabilities Code shall operate as a
22 suspension of that license. That person may resume his or her
23 practice only upon a finding by the Board that he or she has
24 been determined to be no longer subject to involuntary
25 admission by the court and upon the Board's recommendation to
26 the Secretary that he or she be permitted to resume his or her

1 practice.

2 (Source: P.A. 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

3 (225 ILCS 25/29) (from Ch. 111, par. 2329)

4 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

5 Sec. 29. Recommendations for disciplinary action - Action
6 by Secretary. The Board may advise the Secretary that probation
7 be granted or that other disciplinary action, including the
8 limitation of the scope, nature or extent of a person's
9 practice, be taken, as it deems proper. If disciplinary action
10 other than suspension or revocation is taken, the Board may
11 advise that the Secretary impose reasonable limitations and
12 requirements upon the respondent to insure compliance with the
13 terms of the probation or other disciplinary action, including,
14 but not limited to, regular reporting by the respondent to the
15 Secretary of his or her actions, or the respondent's placing
16 himself or herself under the care of a qualified physician for
17 treatment or limiting his or her practice in such manner as the
18 Secretary may require.

19 The Board shall present to the Secretary a written report
20 of its findings and recommendations. A copy of such report
21 shall be served upon the respondent, either personally or by
22 registered or certified mail. Within 20 days after such
23 service, the respondent may present to the Department his or
24 her motion in writing for a rehearing, specifying the
25 particular ground therefor. If the respondent orders from the

1 reporting service and pays for a transcript of the record, the
2 time elapsing thereafter and before such transcript is ready
3 for delivery to him or her shall not be counted as part of such
4 20 days.

5 At the expiration of the time allowed for filing a motion
6 for rehearing the Secretary may take the action recommended by
7 the Board. Upon suspension, revocation, placement on
8 probationary status, or the taking of any other disciplinary
9 action, including the limiting of the scope, nature, or extent
10 of one's practice, deemed proper by the Secretary, with regard
11 to the license, the respondent shall surrender his or her
12 license to the Department, if ordered to do so by the
13 Department, and upon his or her failure or refusal to do so,
14 the Department may seize the same.

15 In all instances under this Act in which the Board has
16 rendered a recommendation to the Secretary with respect to a
17 particular person, the Secretary shall, to the extent that he
18 or she disagrees with or takes action contrary to the
19 recommendation of the Board, file with the Board his or her
20 specific written reasons of disagreement. Such reasons shall be
21 filed within 30 days after the Secretary has taken the contrary
22 position.

23 Each order of revocation, suspension, or other
24 disciplinary action shall contain a brief, concise statement of
25 the ground or grounds upon which the Department's action is
26 based, as well as the specific terms and conditions of such

1 action. The original of this document shall be retained as a
2 permanent record by the Board and the Department. In those
3 instances where an order of revocation, suspension, or other
4 disciplinary action has been rendered by virtue of a dentist's
5 or dental hygienist's physical illness, including, but not
6 limited to, deterioration through the aging process, or loss of
7 motor skill which results in an inability to practice with
8 reasonable judgment, skill, or safety, the Department shall
9 permit only this document and the record of the hearing
10 incident thereto to be observed, inspected, viewed, or copied
11 pursuant to court order.

12 (Source: P.A. 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

13 (225 ILCS 25/30) (from Ch. 111, par. 2330)

14 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

15 Sec. 30. Appointment of a Hearing Officer. The Secretary
16 shall have the authority to appoint any attorney duly licensed
17 to practice law in the State of Illinois to serve as the
18 hearing officer if any action for refusal to issue, renew or
19 discipline of a license. The hearing officer shall have full
20 authority to conduct the hearing. The hearing officer shall
21 report his or her findings and recommendations to the Board and
22 the Secretary. The Board shall have 60 days from receipt of the
23 report to review the report of the hearing officer and present
24 its findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations to
25 the Secretary. If the Board fails to present its report within

1 the 60 day period, the Secretary shall issue an order based on
2 the report of the hearing officer. ~~If the Secretary determines~~
3 ~~that the Board's report is contrary to the manifest weight of~~
4 ~~the evidence, he or she may issue an order in contravention of~~
5 ~~the Board's report.~~

6 Whenever the Secretary is satisfied that substantial
7 justice has not been done in a formal disciplinary action or
8 refusal to restore a license, he or she may order a
9 reexamination or rehearing by the same or other hearing
10 officer.

11 (Source: P.A. 97-1013, eff. 8-17-12.)

12 (225 ILCS 25/41) (from Ch. 111, par. 2341)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

14 Sec. 41. Dental Coordinator. The Department shall select a
15 dental coordinator, who shall not be a member of the Board. The
16 dental coordinator shall be a dentist. The dental coordinator
17 shall be the chief enforcement officer of the disciplinary
18 provisions of this Act.

19 The Department shall employ, in conformity with the
20 "Personnel Code", such investigators as it deems necessary to
21 investigate violations of this Act ~~not less than one full-time~~
22 ~~investigator for every 3,000 dentists and dental hygienists in~~
23 ~~the State.~~ Each investigator shall be a college graduate with
24 at least 2 years' investigative experience or one year of
25 advanced dental or medical education. The Department shall

1 employ, in conformity with the "Personnel Code", such other
2 professional, technical, investigative and clerical assistance
3 on either a full or part-time basis, as the Department deems
4 necessary for the proper performance of its duties. The
5 Department shall retain and use such hearing officers as it
6 deems necessary. All employees of the Department shall be
7 directed by, and answerable to, the Department, with respect to
8 their duties and functions.

9 (Source: P.A. 84-365.)

10 (225 ILCS 25/50) (from Ch. 111, par. 2350)

11 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2016)

12 Sec. 50. Patient Records. Every dentist shall make a record
13 of all dental work performed for each patient. The record shall
14 be made in a manner and in sufficient detail that it may be
15 used for identification purposes.

16 Dental records required by this Section shall be maintained
17 for 10 years. Dental records required to be maintained under
18 this Section, or copies of those dental records, shall be made
19 available upon request to the patient or the patient's
20 guardian. A dentist shall be entitled to reasonable
21 reimbursement for the cost of reproducing these records, which
22 shall not exceed the cost allowed under Section 8-2001 ~~8-2003~~
23 of the Code of Civil Procedure. A dentist providing services
24 through a mobile dental van or portable dental unit shall
25 provide to the patient or the patient's parent or guardian, in

1 writing, the dentist's name, license number, address, and
2 information on how the patient or the patient's parent or
3 guardian may obtain the patient's dental records, as provided
4 by law.

5 (Source: P.A. 97-526, eff. 1-1-12.)

6 (225 ILCS 25/35 rep.)

7 Section 15. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by
8 repealing Section 35.

9 Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes
10 changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text
11 that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section
12 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does
13 not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes
14 made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other
15 Public Act.

16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect December
17 31, 2015.