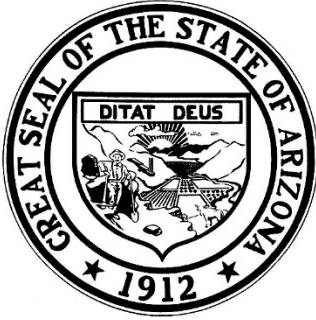


HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION



Bill Number: **SB 1037**

Hendrix Floor Amendment

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1. Authorizes a dental assistant, in order to practice as an oral preventive assistant, to complete a program by a licensed private postsecondary educational institution that includes live patient clinical training under the supervision of a licensed dentist.
 2. Specifies that a *qualifying institution* includes a private postsecondary educational institution as outlined.

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HENDRIX FLOOR AMENDMENT
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO S.B. 1037
(Reference to Senate engrossed bill)

Amendment instruction key:

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~~<<Green strikeout in carets>>~~ indicates a section removed from the bill.

1 The bill as proposed to be amended is reprinted as follows:

2 <<Section 1. Section 32-1291.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added
3 by Laws 2025, chapter 17, section 1, is amended to read:

4 32-1291.02. Oral preventive assistants; qualifications; scope
5 of practice; supervision; definitions

6 A. In order to practice as an oral preventive assistant, a dental
7 assistant shall complete a board-approved oral preventive assistant
8 training course that includes at least one hundred twenty hours of
9 didactic and clinical instruction with patients and that is provided by a
10 qualifying institution. Before taking an oral preventive assistant
11 training course, a dental assistant must meet all of the following:

12 1. Hold a current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

13 2. Hold a board-approved certification for both coronal polishing
14 and radiography.

15 3. ~~[Either]~~ [MEET ANY OF THE FOLLOWING]:

16 (a) Hold a current national board certification in dental
17 assisting.

18 (b) Have successfully completed a dental assisting educational
19 program accredited by a state or national organization that accredits
20 dental programs.

21 [(c) HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A DENTAL ASSISTING EDUCATIONAL
22 PROGRAM OFFERED BY A LICENSED PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL
23 INSTITUTION IN THIS STATE THAT INCLUDES LIVE PATIENT CLINICAL TRAINING
24 UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTIST.]

25 B. The scope of practice for an oral preventive assistant is
26 limited to removing plaque, calculus and stains, with scalers or sonic or
27 ultrasonic scaling devices, on patients who have first received a
28 periodontal evaluation by a dentist or dental hygienist. An Oral

1 preventive assistant may practice only on periodontally healthy patients
2 or patients with localized mild gingivitis. An oral preventive assistant
3 may not use any air polishing technology or device or practice on patients
4 who have been treated for periodontal disease, have generalized recession,
5 are medically compromised or are under sedation.

6 C. An oral preventive assistant who provides coronal calculus
7 removal services pursuant to this section shall both:

8 1. Inform each patient and document in the patient's clinical
9 record that the patient's care was not provided by a licensed dental
10 provider.

11 2. Prominently post the oral preventive assistant's certificate of
12 completion of an approved course of instruction at the location where the
13 coronal calculus removal services are performed.

14 D. An oral preventive assistant may practice in this state only
15 under the direct supervision of a dentist or dental hygienist. A dentist
16 may supervise not more than three oral preventive assistants at the same
17 time. A dental hygienist may supervise not more than one oral preventive
18 assistant at any time. A dentist or dental hygienist who allows an oral
19 preventive assistant to perform coronal calculus removal services in
20 violation of this section commits an act of unprofessional conduct.

21 E. For the purposes of this section, "qualifying institution" means
22 [EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:

23 1.] An institution of higher education, including a community
24 college, that provides a dental or dental hygiene program that is
25 accredited by the commission on dental accreditation, or its successor.

26 [2. A PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION THAT IS
27 LICENSED BY THE STATE BOARD FOR PRIVATE POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION, THAT HAS
28 BEEN IN OPERATION FOR AT LEAST FIVE YEARS AND THAT OFFERS A DENTAL
29 ASSISTING PROGRAM THAT INCLUDES LIVE PATIENT CLINICAL TRAINING UNDER THE
30 SUPERVISION OF LICENSED DENTIST.]>>

31 Sec. 2. Title 32, chapter 32, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes,
32 is amended by adding section 32-3209.01, to read:

33 32-3209.01. Board fees; fund balances; review; reduction

34 A. EACH HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD SHALL REVIEW IN A PUBLIC
35 MEETING AT LEAST ONCE EACH FISCAL YEAR AND BEFORE ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT
36 OF ANY FEE FOR THE SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR THE AMOUNT OF EACH FEE
37 AUTHORIZED IN THE HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD'S STATUTES. THE
38 HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD SHALL ASCERTAIN AND DISCLOSE IN THE
39 PUBLIC MEETING THE HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD'S FUND BALANCE. THE
40 FUND BALANCE MAY NOT BE MORE THAN TWO YEARS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSION
41 REGULATORY BOARD'S ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSES PLUS FIVE PERCENT.

42 B. IF THE FUND BALANCE IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT ALLOWED UNDER
43 SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, THE HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD SHALL
44 REDUCE OR ELIMINATE THE LICENSING OR APPLICATION FEES, OR BOTH, THAT ARE
45 BEING CHARGED TO THE HEALTH PROFESSIONALS UNDER THE HEALTH PROFESSION

1 REGULATORY BOARD'S JURISDICTION UNTIL THE FUND BALANCE IS BELOW THE
2 ALLOWABLE AMOUNT.

3 Sec. 3. Title 32, chapter 48, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended
4 by adding article 2, to read:

5 ARTICLE 2. NONHEALTH PROFESSIONS AND
6 OCCUPATIONS REGULATORY BOARDS

7 32-4821. Licensing authority fees; fund balances; review;
8 reduction; definition

9 A. EACH LICENSING AUTHORITY SHALL REVIEW IN A PUBLIC MEETING AT
10 LEAST ONCE EACH FISCAL YEAR AND BEFORE ESTABLISHING THE AMOUNT OF ANY FEE
11 FOR THE SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEAR THE AMOUNT OF EACH FEE AUTHORIZED IN THE
12 LICENSING AUTHORITY'S STATUTES. THE LICENSING AUTHORITY SHALL ASCERTAIN
13 AND DISCLOSE IN THE PUBLIC MEETING THE LICENSING AUTHORITY'S FUND BALANCE.
14 THE FUND BALANCE MAY NOT BE MORE THAN TWO YEARS OF THE LICENSING
15 AUTHORITY'S ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSES PLUS FIVE PERCENT.

16 B. IF THE FUND BALANCE IS MORE THAN THE AMOUNT ALLOWED UNDER
17 SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, THE LICENSING AUTHORITY SHALL REDUCE OR
18 ELIMINATE THE LICENSING OR APPLICATION FEES, OR BOTH, THAT ARE BEING
19 CHARGED TO THE LICENSEES, PERMITTEES, CERTIFICATE HOLDERS OR REGISTRANTS
20 UNDER THE LICENSING AUTHORITY'S JURISDICTION UNTIL THE FUND BALANCE IS
21 BELOW THE ALLOWABLE AMOUNT.

22 C. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "LICENSING AUTHORITY":

23 1. MEANS ANY BOARD OF THIS STATE THAT ISSUES A LICENSE, PERMIT,
24 CERTIFICATE OR REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO THIS TITLE TO AN INDIVIDUAL WHO
25 PROVIDES A SERVICE TO ANY PERSON.

26 2. DOES NOT INCLUDE:

27 (a) AN ENTITY THAT ISSUES LICENSES PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 40 OF THIS
28 TITLE.

29 (b) A HEALTH PROFESSION REGULATORY BOARD AS DEFINED IN SECTION
30 32-3201.

31 Enroll and engross to conform

32 Amend title to conform

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