
HOUSE BILL 1603

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1 AN ACT Relating to licensure status for dentists; amending RCW
2 18.32.180; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.32.180 and 1999 c 364 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) Every person licensed to practice dentistry in this state shall
7 renew his or her license and comply with administrative procedures,
8 administrative requirements, continuing education requirements, and
9 fees as provided in RCW 43.70.250 and 43.70.280. The commission, in
10 its sole discretion, may permit the applicant to be licensed without
11 examination, and with or without conditions, if it is satisfied that
12 the applicant meets all the requirements for licensure in this state
13 and is competent to engage in the practice of dentistry.

14 (2) Licenses issued under this chapter remain unexpired and in full
15 force and effect for thirty days beyond the scheduled renewal date.
16 However, (a) the applicable late fee applies to any renewal for which
17 the payment is received by the department after the scheduled renewal
18 date and (b) the department may not extend the next scheduled renewal
19 date.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW
2 to read as follows:

3 For purposes of payment, a health carrier shall treat a Washington
4 licensed dentist as continuing to be licensed, and the license as
5 unexpired and in full force and effect, for thirty days after the
6 scheduled renewal date of the license. This applies notwithstanding
7 RCW 43.70.280.

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