



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 1056

LCO No. 2987



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. SLAP, 5th Dist.

AN ACT ALLOWING DENTISTS TRAINED OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES TO BE LICENSED DENTAL HYGIENISTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That chapter 379a of the general statutes be amended to allow a
- 2 dentist trained outside the United States to be licensed as a dental
- 3 hygienist, provided such dentist (1) possesses a degree of competency
- 4 and has completed necessary examinations in subjects considered
- 5 essential for a dental hygienist, as determined by the Commissioner of
- 6 Public Health, and (2) passes written and practical examinations
- 7 pursuant to section 20-126j of the general statutes.

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the workforce supply of dental hygienists in Connecticut to ensure essential oral health care for our citizens by utilizing the skills that dentists have acquired through training outside of the United States.