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Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 669 adds a definition of *dental appliance* to statute and removes references to oral maxillofacial surgery assistants. Instead, the measure creates an oral maxillofacial surgery expanded duty permit for dental assistants. The measure expands the duties of the Board President of the Board of Dentistry to recommend training and non-CODA approved programs. Dental assistants are required to apply for and obtain a license from the Board. The measure provides that a spouse of an active duty military member pursuant to a current permanent change of station order who was actively licensed in another state for the previous two years will be eligible for licensure. The measure authorizes volunteers to use only topical and local anesthesia during volunteer procedures. The measure authorizes a dental student intern who has finished the second semester of the third year of dental school to provide scaling, root planning, and local anesthesia. Before a dentist can prescribe, diagnose, or oversee a patient's treatment for any dental appliance, the patient must be a patient of record and the dentist must conduct an in-person examination. The name of the dentist or dentists actually providing services to the patient must appear on all insurance claim forms, billing invoices, or statements sent to the patient and on all receipts received. Treatment records must be maintained for each patient that clearly identifies the dentists that performed all dental services. If a licensee closes an office, they must notify the Board in writing and include where patient records will be maintained. The measure also provides that any dentist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant whose license or permit automatically canceled because they didn't renew will have five years, changed from one, to have their renewal certificate reinstated by the Board. The Board may require any training or continuing education requirements be met prior to reinstatement. Such individuals deployed outside of the country will be exempt from renewal fees.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 669 amends the State Dental Act by revising and updating the statutory language related to dental practice regulation. The provisions of the measure are not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

