

HOUSE No. 3138

By Ms. Clapprod of Sharon, petition of Marjorie A. Clapprod for legislation to expand the Board of Registration in Dentistry, Health Care.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety.

AN ACT TO EXPAND THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN DENTISTRY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 13 of the General Laws is hereby
2 amended by striking out section 19, and inserting in place thereof
3 the following section: —

4 There shall be a board of registration in dentistry called the
5 board, consisting of nine persons, each of whom shall be a legal
6 resident of the commonwealth, to be appointed by the governor,
7 six of whom shall be graduates of a reputable dental college and
8 be reputable dentists who have maintained a license to practice
9 in the commonwealth for the eight years next preceding his
10 appointment, one of whom shall be a representative of the public,
11 subject to the provisions of section nine B, one of whom shall be
12 a graduate of a reputable school of dental hygiene and be a
13 reputable dental hygienist who has maintained a license to practice
14 dental hygiene in the commonwealth for the three years next
15 preceding his appointment, and one of whom shall be a dental
16 assistant, certified by the Dental Assisting National Board, Inc.
17 and who has been admitted to practice in the commonwealth for
18 the next three years next preceding his appointment. No more
19 than one member of the board who is a dentist may be a full time
20 member of the faculty or a trustee of any institution engaged in
21 educating dentists or having power to confer degrees in dentistry.
22 Each member of the board shall serve for a term of five years.
23 No member shall serve more than two consecutive full terms.

1 SECTION 2. The members of the board of registration in
2 dentistry serving immediately prior to the effective date of this
3 act shall continue to serve until the date on which their terms
4 would have expired pursuant to the terms of section nineteen of
5 chapter thirteen of the General Laws in effect immediately prior
6 to the effective date of this act; provided, however, that the
7 provisions of section nineteen of chapter thirteen of the General
8 Laws, as amended by section one of this act, shall take effect only
9 as to the person first appointed as a dental assistant pursuant to
10 the provisions of the aforementioned section one of this Act, as
11 follows: The person to be appointed as dental assistant shall be
12 appointed for a term to expire in nineteen hundred and ninety-
13 three; and his successor shall be appointed for a term of five years.