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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT " A" to H.P. 1168, L.D. 1398, Bill,
"AN ACT to Add Dental Hygienists to the Board of Dental
Examiners."

Amend the Bill by striking out all of the Title and inserting
in its place the following:

'an act to Add a Dental Hygienist to the Board of Dental
Examiners.'

Further amend the Bill in section 1 by striking out in the
5th line the underlined words "2 dental hygienists" and inserting
in their place the underlined words 'one dental hygienist'

Further amend the Bill in section 2 by striking out everything
after the amending clause and inserting in its place the
following:

'The dental hygienist shall be qualified pursuant to subchapter
IV. He shall be^a legal resident of the State and shall have been
in practice in the State for at least 3 years immediately preceding
appointment. The dental hygienist member of the board shall
be a full voting member of the board. The term of the dental
hygienist shall be^{for} 4 years, except that the member shall serve
until a successor is appointed, and the Governor shall make the
initial appointment in January 1978. The Governor shall consult
with the Maine Dental Hygienists Association prior to the
appointment of any dental hygienist to the board. The Governor

shall fill any vacancy of the dental hygienist member of the board by appointing a person, qualified under the terms of this chapter, to hold office during the unexpired term of the member whose place is filled. No person shall serve more than 2 consecutive terms. No person shall be eligible to serve who has been convicted of a violation of this chapter or any prior Dental Practice Act or who has been convicted of a felony. No dental hygienist shall be eligible to serve as a member of the board while employed by a dentist who is a member of the board. No dentist shall be eligible to serve as a member of the board while a dental hygienist whom he employs is serving as a member of the board.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to:

1. Reduce the number of dental hygienist members of the board from 2 to one;
2. Delete a requirement that the Governor select the member from a list submitted by the Maine Dental Hygienists Association;
3. Require that the Governor consult with the Maine Dental Hygienist Association prior to appointing any dental hygienist to the board;
4. Assure that the dental hygienist member has full voting privileges;
5. Prohibit any dental hygienist from serving on the board while employed by a dentist who is on the board; and

6. Prohibit any dentist from serving on the board while employing a dental hygienist who is serving on the board.

Reported by the Majority of the Committee on Health and Institutional Services.

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