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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT A to H.P. 1023, L.D. 1461, Bill, "An Act To Increase Access to Certain Dental Services"

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1094-D." in the first paragraph in the 6th and 7th lines (page 1, lines 16 and 17 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "Such procedures include, but are not limited to," and inserting in its place the following: 'As used in this subchapter, unless the context otherwise indicates, "reversible intraoral procedures" means'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1094-D." in the first paragraph in the 10th line (page 1, line 20 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "procedures" the following: 'defined by the board'

Further amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of that part designated "§1094-G." (page 2, lines 11 to 29 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'§1094-G. Qualifications

The board may certify as an expanded function dental assistant a person 18 years of age or older who submits an application on forms furnished by the board together with the required fee to be determined by the board, not to exceed \$100, and:

- 1. Holds certified dental assistant certificate or

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2 registered dental hygiene license and has completed training.  
3 Holds a current certified dental assistant certification or a  
4 current registered dental hygienist license and has successfully  
5 completed training in a school or program approved by the board;  
6 or

7 2. Is credentialed by another state or province. Is  
8 credentialed to perform as an expanded function dental assistant  
9 by another state or Canadian province, the standards of which are  
10 acceptable to the board.

11 The board may adopt routine technical rules pursuant to  
12 Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to implement this section.'

13 Further amend the bill in section 1 by inserting after that  
14 part designated "\$1094-G." the following:

15 '\$1094-H. Certification; renewal

16 Certificates must be renewed every 5 years. On or before  
17 the expiration of the certificate, the expanded function dental  
18 assistant must pay to the board a certification renewal fee of  
19 not more than \$100 to be determined by the board. Expanded  
20 function dental assistants who have not paid the renewal fee on  
21 or before the expiration of the 5-year certificate must be  
22 reinstated upon payment of a late fee of not more than \$50 to be  
23 determined by the board if paid within 30 days of the  
24 certificate's expiration date. Failure to be properly certified  
25 within 30 days results in automatic suspension of a certificate  
26 to practice. Reinstatement may be made, if approved by the  
27 board, by payment to the secretary-treasurer of the board of a  
28 fee determined by the board of not more than \$100.

29 The board may adopt routine technical rules pursuant to  
30 Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A to implement this section.'

31 Further amend the bill by inserting after section 2 the  
32 following:

33 'Sec. 3. Appropriations and allocations. The following  
34 appropriations and allocations are made.

35 **PROFESSIONAL AND FINANCIAL REGULATION,**  
36 **DEPARTMENT OF**

37 **Dental Examiners - Board of 0384**

38 Initiative: Allocates funds for the costs associated with  
39 establishing a new category of dental assistant.

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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1023, L.D. 1461

	2005-06	2006-07
2 <b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS</b>		
All Other	\$0	\$5,600
4 <b>OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL</b>	\$0	\$5,600'

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**SUMMARY**

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This amendment limits the number of procedures the expanded function dental assistant may perform to the procedures listed in the bill and provides that the Board of Dental Examiners may further expand through rulemaking other reversible procedures that an expanded function dental assistant may perform. It also establishes an application fee that will be determined by the Board of Dental Examiners, not to exceed \$100, as well as a certification renewal fee of not more than \$100. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)

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LD 1461

LR 1806(02)

## An Act To Increase Access to Certain Dental Services

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Business, Research and Economic Development

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

### Fiscal Note

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
<b>Appropriations/Allocations</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$5,600	\$3,500	\$3,500
<b>Revenue</b>				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$0	\$20,000	\$10,000	\$10,000

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$5,600 in fiscal year 2006-07 for the Board of Dental Examiners, affiliated with the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, for the costs associated with establishing a new category of dental assistant. The additional revenue to the Board from licensing and other fees is estimated to be \$20,000 in fiscal year 2006-07.