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# 124th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1069

House of Representatives, December 18, 2009

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**An Act To Allow the Board of Dental Examiners To Grant Permits  
to Qualified Individuals To Practice as Dental Residents**

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 16, 2009. Referred to the Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BLANCHARD of Old Town.  
Cosponsored by Senator SCHNEIDER of Penobscot and  
Representatives: CAIN of Orono, GOODE of Bangor, MARTIN of Orono, RICHARDSON of  
Carmel.

1       **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2           **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1086**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 107, §7, is further amended  
3 by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

4           The board has the authority, upon presentation of satisfactory credentials and  
5 fulfillment of other conditions set by rule adopted by the board, to issue a permit to a  
6 graduate of an approved dental school or college who has not been licensed to practice  
7 dentistry in this State, who has passed an examination for licensure in this State and who,  
8 in the board's judgment, has not violated a provision of this chapter or rules adopted by  
9 the board to serve as a dental resident in a board-approved dental setting within the State.  
10 The board must, prior to the issuance of a permit under this paragraph, determine that the  
11 supervision and control of the services to be performed by the dental resident are  
12 adequate and that the performance of these services by the dental resident are within the  
13 dental resident's dental knowledge and skill. The dental resident must function under the  
14 supervision and direction of a dentist licensed in this State. A permit under this  
15 paragraph may not be valid for more than one year. The board may charge a fee up to  
16 \$50 for a permit.

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#### SUMMARY

18           This bill allows the Board of Dental Examiners to issue a temporary permit to a  
19 qualified individual to practice as a dental resident under the supervision of a licensed  
20 dentist within a board-approved dental residency program setting.