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An Act To Benefit the Education of Denturism Students

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heather J.R. Priest".

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CUSHING of Penobscot.
Cosponsored by Representative WARD of Dedham and
Senators: LANGLEY of Hancock, MASON of Androscoggin, ROSEN of Hancock, VOLK of
Cumberland, Representatives: AUSTIN of Gray, CAMPBELL of Newfield, LOCKMAN of
Amherst, STETKIS of Canaan.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1100-E-2** is enacted to read:

3 **§1100-E-2. Permits for internship**

4 The board has the authority to issue a permit to a bona fide denturist student of a
5 school or university acceptable to the board, after the denturist student has completed
6 satisfactory training, to perform limited denturist services in private practice or
7 institutional and public health service programs within the State commensurate with the
8 student's level of education and training and conducted under the supervision of a
9 licensed dentist or denturist or instructional facility acceptable to the board. Prior to the
10 issuance of a permit under this paragraph, the board and the student's school or university
11 shall determine the scope of denturist services that the student may perform, including the
12 assigned number of internship hours and the appropriate supervision based upon the
13 denturist services allowed. A permit issued under this paragraph may expire either after
14 the completion of an assigned number of internship hours or after one year. A permit
15 issued under this paragraph may be renewed either under the permit's initial terms or
16 upon new terms as the board determines appropriate. For purposes of this paragraph,
17 "denturist services" means services provided through the practice of denturism.

18 **SUMMARY**

19 This bill allows the Board of Dental Examiners to issue a permit to a denturist student
20 to perform limited denturist services similar to the board's current authority to issue a
21 permit to a dental student.