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**CHAPTER 44
H.P. 451 - L.D. 615**

**An Act To Remove the
Advanced Cardiac Life
Support Certification
Requirement for Dental
Therapists**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, current law requires a dental hygienist who is a dental therapist to provide verification of a current advanced cardiac life support certification; and

Whereas, this certification, which is not required for a dentist, is a barrier to licensing dental therapists seeking to work in the State and should be eliminated as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §18345, sub-§2, ¶C, as amended by PL 2019, c. 388, §7, is further amended in subparagraph (4) by amending the first blocked paragraph to read:

For purposes of meeting the clinical requirements of this subparagraph, an applicant's hours of supervised clinical experience completed under the supervision of a dentist licensed in another state or a Canadian province may be included, as long as the applicant was operating lawfully under the laws and rules of that state or province; and

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §18345, sub-§2, ¶C, as amended by PL 2019, c. 388, §7, is further amended by amending subparagraph (5) to read:

(5) A copy of the written practice agreement and standing orders required by section 18377, subsection 3; ~~and~~

Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §18345, sub-§2, ¶C, as amended by PL 2019, c. 388, §7, is further amended by repealing subparagraph (6).

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §18345, sub-§2, ¶F, as amended by PL 2019, c. 388, §7, is further amended by amending subparagraph (1) to read:

(1) Verification of meeting the requirements of paragraph C, subparagraphs (2); and (3) ~~and~~ (6); and

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective May 5, 2021.

**CHAPTER 45
S.P. 484 - L.D. 1507**

**An Act To Establish a Local
Fiscal Recovery Funds
Program and Allocation**

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Public Law 117-2, provides, through the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, funding for 3 categories: metropolitan cities, counties and nonentitlement units of local government; and

Whereas, amounts identified for nonentitlement units of local government will be provided to the State for distribution; and

Whereas, while it is expected that metropolitan and county funds will be provided directly to those entities by the Federal Government, it may be possible these funds will also be provided to the State for distribution; and

Whereas, according to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the funds must be distributed to the local governments after receipt by the State within 30 days; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

Sec. 1. Legislative intent regarding allocations to the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Local Fiscal Recovery Funds program. It is the intent of the Legislature that the total combined allocation in section 2 of \$493,973,030 for fiscal years 2020-21 and 2021-22 represents the estimated maximum total amount to be distributed to the 3 categories of local government, which are county, metropolitan and other units of local government, scheduled for re-