

Administrative Rule Analysis



DENTISTRY – GENERAL RULES

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Department: Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Agency: Bureau of Professional Licensing

Enabling Statute: Public Health Code, 1978 PA 368, MCLs 333.16145, 333.16148, 333.16174, 333.16178, 333.16182, 333.16186, 333.16201, 333.16204, 333.16205, 333.16215, 333.16608, 333.16611, 333.16625, 333.16626, 333.16631, 333.16644, 333.16651, 333.16652, 333.16653, 333.16654, 333.16655, 333.16656, 333.16657, and 333.16658 et seq.

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BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES

Rule Set 2020-27 LR would make numerous additions, amendments, and rescissions to rules pertaining to the dental professions (dentists, dental therapists, registered dental assistants, and registered dental hygienists). The rule set would revise definitions; include a new rule regarding patient interaction at the beginning of care; clarify and revise rules regarding licensure, relicensure, education, and continuing education; revise rules regarding delegation, supervision, and assignment of various licensees; clarify and revise language regarding specialty licenses (endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, prosthodontics, periodontics, etc.); and update anesthesia and dental amalgam requirements.

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES

2020-27 LR may have a modest fiscal impact on the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, due to the inclusion of rules for the regulation of dental therapists, which is a new license class created by 2018 PA 463. Dental therapist licensure fees are established under MCL 333.16323, and are deposited to the Health Professions Regulatory Fund (a state restricted fund that is used for implementing and administering articles 7, 8, and 15 of the Public Health Code). The costs associated with the dental therapist rules are presently indeterminate, however revenues from dental therapist licensure would be available to offset these costs. The rule set would not have a fiscal impact on any other unit of state or local government.

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