

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Dental Practice Act is amended by
5 changing Section 6 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 25/6) (from Ch. 111, par. 2306)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

8 Sec. 6. Board of Dentistry; report ~~Dentistry—report~~ by
9 majority required. There is created a Board of Dentistry, to
10 be composed of 13 persons designated from time to time by the
11 Secretary, as follows:

12 (1) 10 members who ~~Eleven persons, 8 of whom~~ have been
13 dentists for a period of 5 years or more, at least one of
14 whom holds a permit to administer moderate sedation, and
15 at least one of whom holds a permit to administer deep
16 sedation and general anesthesia;

17 (2) 2 members who ~~of whom~~ have been dental hygienists
18 for a period of 5 years or more; ~~7~~ and

19 (3) one public member.

20 None of the members shall be an officer, dean, assistant
21 dean, or associate dean of a dental college or dental
22 department of an institute of learning, nor shall any member
23 be the program director of any dental hygiene program. A board

1 member who holds a faculty position in a dental school or
2 dental hygiene program shall not participate in the
3 examination of applicants for licenses from that school or
4 program. The dental hygienists shall not participate in the
5 examination of applicants for licenses to practice dentistry.
6 The public member shall not participate in the examination of
7 applicants for licenses to practice dentistry or dental
8 hygiene. The board shall annually elect a chairman and
9 vice-chairman who shall be dentists.

10 Terms for all members shall be for 4 years. Partial terms
11 over 2 years in length shall be considered as full terms. A
12 member may be reappointed for a successive term, but no member
13 shall serve more than 2 full terms in his or her lifetime.

14 The membership of the Board shall include only residents
15 from various geographic areas of this State and shall include
16 at least some graduates from various institutions of dental
17 education in this State.

18 In making appointments to the Board the Secretary shall
19 give due consideration to recommendations by organizations of
20 the dental profession in Illinois, including the Illinois
21 State Dental Society and Illinois Dental Hygienists
22 Association, and shall promptly give due notice to such
23 organizations of any vacancy in the membership of the Board.
24 The Secretary may terminate the appointment of any member for
25 cause which in the opinion of the Secretary reasonably
26 justifies such termination.

1 A vacancy in the membership of the Board shall not impair
2 the right of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform
3 all the duties of the Board. Any action to be taken by the
4 Board under this Act may be authorized by resolution at any
5 regular or special meeting, and each such resolution shall
6 take effect immediately. The Board shall meet at least
7 quarterly.

8 The members of the Board shall each receive as
9 compensation a reasonable sum as determined by the Secretary
10 for each day actually engaged in the duties of the office, and
11 all legitimate and necessary expense incurred in attending the
12 meetings of the Board.

13 Members of the Board shall be immune from suit in any
14 action based upon any disciplinary proceedings or other
15 activities performed in good faith as members of the Board.

16 (Source: P.A. 99-492, eff. 12-31-15.)