

By Senator Ring

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to dentistry; amending s. 466.006,  
3 F.S.; providing that an applicant who has maintained  
4 his or her dental license in good standing in another  
5 state for a specified number of years immediately  
6 before applying to take the licensing examinations to  
7 practice dentistry in this state is entitled to take  
8 such examinations; providing an effective date.

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10 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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12 Section 1. Subsection (3) of section 466.006, Florida  
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 466.006 Examination of dentists.—

15 (3) (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), if an  
16 applicant is a graduate of a dental college or school not  
17 accredited in accordance with paragraph (2)(b) or of a dental  
18 college or school not approved by the board, the applicant is  
19 ~~shall not be~~ entitled to take the examinations required in this  
20 section to practice dentistry until she or he satisfies one of  
21 the following:

22 1. ~~(a)~~ Completes a program of study, as defined by the board  
23 by rule, at an accredited American dental school and  
24 demonstrates receipt of a D.D.S. or D.M.D. from that ~~said~~  
25 school; or

26 2. ~~(b)~~ Completes a 2-year supplemental dental education  
27 program at an accredited dental school and receives a dental  
28 diploma, degree, or certificate as evidence of program  
29 completion.

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30           (b) An applicant who has maintained his or her dental  
31 license in good standing in another state for 3 years  
32 immediately before applying to take the examinations required in  
33 this section to practice dentistry in this state is entitled to  
34 take such examinations.

35           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.