

THE FLORIDA SENATE  
2022 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED  
**Committee on Health Policy**

**CS/CS/SB 926 — Licensure Examinations for Dental Practitioners**

by Banking and Insurance Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Albritton

The bill revises licensure examination requirements for dentists and dental hygienists. The bill requires applicants to demonstrate certain clinical skills on a manikin rather than a live patient.

To correspond to the revision above, the bill deletes the requirement for a dental school student to possess medical malpractice insurance in amounts not less than the amounts required to take the Florida licensure examinations and for dental schools to make adequate arrangements for patients who require follow-up care as a result of the student's demonstration of clinical skills on a live patient. The bill also repeals the authorization for the Board of Dentistry to require that any person applying to take the practical dentistry or dental hygiene examination in Florida maintain medical malpractice insurance in amounts sufficient to cover any incident of harm to a patient during the examination.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect upon becoming law.

*Vote: Senate 39-0; House 113-0*