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Committee: Health and Human Services

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Dentistry Practice Act; to amend
- 2 section 38-1124, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change
- 3 provisions relating to faculty licenses; and to repeal the original
- 4 section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 38-1124, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 38-1124 (1) The department, with the recommendation of the board,
- 4 shall issue a faculty license to any person who meets the requirements of
- 5 subsection (3) or (4) of this section. A faculty licensee may practice
- 6 dentistry only as a faculty member at an accredited school or college of
- 7 dentistry in the State of Nebraska and may teach dentistry, conduct
- 8 research, and participate in an institutionally administered faculty
- 9 practice only at such accredited school or college of dentistry or other
- 10 university sponsored programs. A faculty licensee eligible for licensure
- 11 under subsection (4) of this section shall limit his or her practice to
- 12 the clinical discipline <u>or disciplines</u> in which he or she has <u>a degree or</u>
- 13 <u>certification from</u> received postgraduate education at an accredited
- 14 school or college of dentistry.
- 15 (2) Any person who desires a faculty license shall make a written
- 16 application to the department. The application shall include information
- 17 regarding the applicant's professional qualifications, experience, and
- 18 licensure. The application shall be accompanied by a copy of the
- 19 applicant's dental degree, any other degrees or certificates for
- 20 postgraduate education of the applicant, the required fee, and
- 21 certification from the dean of an accredited school or college of
- 22 dentistry in the State of Nebraska at which the applicant has a contract
- 23 to be employed as a full-time faculty member.
- 24 (3) An individual who graduated from an accredited school or college
- 25 of dentistry shall be eligible for a faculty license if he or she:
- 26 (a) Has or had a license to practice dentistry within the past five
- 27 years in some other state in the United States or a Canadian province;
- 28 (b) Has a contract to be employed as a full-time faculty member at
- 29 an accredited school or college of dentistry in the State of Nebraska;
- 30 (c) Passes a jurisprudence examination administered by the board;
- 31 and

- 1 (d) Agrees to demonstrate continuing clinical competency as a
- 2 condition of licensure if required by the board.
- 3 (4) An individual who graduated from a nonaccredited school or
- 4 college of dentistry shall be eligible for a faculty license if he or
- 5 she:
- 6 (a) Has completed at least two years of postgraduate education at an
- 7 accredited school or college of dentistry and received a certificate or
- 8 degree from such school or college of dentistry;
- 9 (b) Has a contract to be employed as a full-time faculty member at
- 10 an accredited school or college of dentistry in the State of Nebraska;
- (c) Passes a jurisprudence examination administered by the board;
- 12 (d) Agrees to demonstrate continuing clinical competency as a
- 13 condition of licensure if required by the board; and
- 14 (e) Has passed Part I and Part II of the National Board Dental
- 15 Examinations or its equivalent as determined by the Board of Dentistry.
- 16 (5) A faculty license shall expire at the same time and be subject
- 17 to the same renewal requirements as a regular dental license, except that
- 18 such license shall remain valid and may only be renewed if:
- 19 (a) The faculty licensee remains employed as a full-time faculty
- 20 member of an accredited school or college of dentistry in the State of
- 21 Nebraska; and
- 22 (b) The faculty licensee demonstrates continuing clinical competency
- 23 if required by the board.
- 24 Sec. 2. Original section 38-1124, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 25 Nebraska, is repealed.