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A bill

TO AMEND THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS BY AMENDING SECTION 40-15-175, RELATING TO requirements for RESTRICTED INSTRUCTORs’ LICENSES ISSUED BY THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY, SO AS TO remove limitations on certain credentialing requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 40-15-175(A) of the S.C. Code is amended to read:

 (A) The State Board of Dentistry may issue a restricted instructor’s license to a dentist who:

 (1) holds a valid license to practice dentistry in another state, country, or territory;

 (2) has met or been approved under the credentialing standards of the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program which must be situated in this State and with which the person is to be affiliated;

 (3) has successfully completed:

 (a) the final two years of a program leading to the doctor of dental surgery degree (D.D.S.) or doctor of dental medicine degree (D.M.D.) at an accredited dental school approved by the board;

 (b) at least a two-year Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) approved advanced education program in a dental specialty recognized by the American Dental Association; or

 (c) has successfully completed at least a two-year CODA-approved advanced education program in general dentistry;

 (4)(3) has not been refused a license or had a license revoked in this State or another state, country, or territory;

 (5)(4) passes an examination on jurisprudence as prescribed by the board; and

 (6)(5) is teaching dental medicine in South Carolina full-time at the Medical University of South Carolina College of Dental Medicine or at a board-recognized, hospital-based residency program situated in this State.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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