



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 561

SENATE BILL NO. 2075

By Johnson, Massey, Jackson, Yager

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1679

By Lamberth, Cochran, Greg Martin, Crawford, Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-108, relative to the number of dental hygienists supervised by a dentist.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-108, is amended by deleting subsection (f) and substituting:

(f)(1) Except as provided in subdivisions (f)(2) and (3), a licensed dentist shall not allow, under general supervision, more than three (3) dental hygienists to work at any one (1) time.

(2) A dentist may supervise, under direct supervision, no more than ten (10) dental hygienists while the dentist and each hygienist is providing dental services on a volunteer basis through a nonprofit provider of free mobile clinics in this state.

(3) A dentist may supervise, under general supervision, no more than five (5) dental hygienists if the dentist and dental hygienists work for the department of health, a county or metropolitan health department, or an entity that participates in the state safety net program for the uninsured. A dentist supervising dental hygienists under this subdivision (f)(3) must do so in accordance with protocols established by the department of health or a county or metropolitan health department.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: February 26, 2024


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 12th day of March 2024


BILL LEE, GOVERNOR