## ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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# HB 2306: dental board; business entities; enforcement Sponsor: Representative Willoughby, LD 13 Committee on Regulatory Affairs

### **Overview**

Allows the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners (Board) to issue a cease-and-desist order to an unregistered business entity and requires the Board to provide notice to the unregistered business entity that it has 30 days to register with the Board or the business entity will be prohibited from registering for one year.

#### **History**

Business entities are prohibited from offering dental services unless it is registered with the Board and the services are conducted by a licensed dental professional. The business entity must file a registration application on a form provided by the Board that includes: 1) a description of the business entity's services offered to the public; 2) the name of any dentist who is authorized to provide and is responsible for providing the dental services offered at each office; 3) the names and addresses of the officers and directors of the business entity; 4) the name of the business entity's custodian of records; and 5) a registration fee prescribed by the Board in rule. A registration expires three years after the date the Board issues the registration. A business entity that fails to renew the registration before the expiration date is subject to a late fee as prescribed by the Board by rule.

The Board may do any of the following if a business entity violates the Board's statutes or rules: 1) refuse to issue a registration; 2) suspend or revoke a registration; 3) impose a civil penalty of not more than \$2,000 for each violation; 4) enter a decree of censure; 5) issue an order prescribing a period and terms of probation that are best adapted to protect the public welfare and that may include a requirement for restitution to a patient for a violation of Board statutes or rules; and 6) issue a letter of concern if a business entity's actions may cause the Board to take disciplinary action (A.R.S. § 32-1213).

### **Provisions**

- 1. Allows the Board to issue a cease-and-desist order on a business entity that is required to be registered and is not registered. (Sec. 1)
- 2. Directs the Board to provide notice to the unregistered business entity that they have 30 days to register with the Board or the business entity will be prohibited from registering for one year. (Sec. 1)
- 3. Makes a technical change. (Sec. 1)

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