

IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1234

BY COMMERCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO DENTAL HYGIENISTS; AMENDING SECTION 54-904, IDAHO CODE, TO RE-
2 MOVE AN ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND PROVID-
3 ING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 54-904, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 54-904. AUTHORIZATION FOR PROCEDURES PERFORMED UNDER GENERAL SUPER-
9 VISION BY DENTAL HYGIENISTS. A dental hygienist is authorized to practice
10 under general supervision when:

11 (1) In a dental office where the dental hygienist works, a dentist has
12 diagnosed the condition to be treated and determined the procedure to be
13 performed, or has authorized a dental hygienist to perform the prescribed
14 treatment; or

15 (2) In an extended access oral health care setting, the supervising
16 dentist has determined the dental hygiene procedures that may be performed
17 and has issued written orders to a dental hygienist ~~holding a license with an~~
18 ~~extended access dental hygiene endorsement~~ to provide the authorized treat-
19 ment. The supervising dentist shall be responsible to treat the patient's
20 dental needs or refer the patient to another dentist for treatment.

21 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby
22 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after
23 July 1, 2022.