

**SENATE . . . . . No. 2392**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

*Patrick M. O'Connor*

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure.

PETITION OF:

NAME:

*Patrick M. O'Connor*

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

*First Plymouth and Norfolk*

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By Mr. O'Connor, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2392) (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Patrick M. O'Connor for legislation relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**  
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An Act relative to dental hygienist reciprocal licensure.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1           Section 51 of chapter 112 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2020 Official Edition,  
2 is hereby amended by inserting after the third paragraph, the following paragraph:-

3           The board may, without examination upon payment of a fee determined annually by the  
4 commissioner of administration under the provision of section three B of chapter seven, register  
5 and issue a dental hygienist license to a dentist who has been lawfully in practice for at least five  
6 years in another state, country, or province if he presents to the board a certificate of registration  
7 and duration of practice from an out-of-state board of dental examiners or other like registration  
8 entity of such state, country, or province; provided, that such other jurisdiction shall require a  
9 degree of competency as determined by the board equal to that required of applicants in this  
10 commonwealth.