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99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 197, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to dental professionals practicing in hospitals.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 197, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 197.750, to read as follows:

197.750. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, hospitals
2 licensed under chapter 197 shall be authorized to employ any or all of
3 the following oral health care providers:

- 4 (1) A dentist licensed under chapter 332 for the purpose of 5 treating on hospital premises those patients who present with a dental 6 condition and such treatment is necessary to ameliorate the condition 7 for which they presented such as severe pain or tooth abscesses;
- 8 (2) An oral and maxillofacial surgeon licensed under chapter 332
 9 for the purpose of treating oral conditions that need to be ameliorated
 10 as part of treating the underlying cause of the patient's medical needs
 11 including, but not limited to, head and neck cancer, HIV or AIDS,
 12 severe trauma resulting in admission to the hospital, organ transplant,
 13 diabetes, or seizure disorders. It shall be a condition of treatment that
 14 such patients are admitted to the hospital on either an in- or out15 patient basis;
- 16 (3) A maxillofacial prosthodontist licensed under chapter 332 for 17 the purpose of treating and supporting patients of a head and neck 18 cancer team or other complex care or surgical team for the fabrication 19 of appliances following ablative surgery, surgery to correct birth 20 anomalies, extensive radiation treatment of the head or neck, or 21 trauma-related surgery.