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Committee on Health

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Tuesday, March 20, 2012

Support for S.B. 2013, SD1 Relating to Dental Hygienists

The Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association is the organization representing dental hygiene professionals in the state of Hawaii, and is a constituent of the American Dental Hygienists' Association. We strongly support SB 2013, SD1 Relating to Dental Hygienists, which would require that dental hygienists practicing in Hawaii prominently display the dental hygiene license in the office where she or he practices or is employed. If the dental hygienist works in more than one setting, a copy of the license is acceptable. Furthermore, the dental hygienist should have the pocket identification card available for viewing to ensure the license is up-to-date. The wording currently states: A copy of the currently renewed certificate of license shall be prominently displayed at all times in the office where the dental hygienist is employed or practices. A dental hygienist who is employed at or practices in more than one office shall have the pocket identification card available for viewing upon request.

Please note that the pocket identification card is NOT a facsimile of the original license. The pocket ID card is merely the renewal documentation that the license is current (i.e. renewal fees have been paid and required biennial CE courses have been taken.) The original wording approved by both the HDHA and BODE reflected this by indicating that the original license (or a copy if the person works in more than one office) be prominently displayed and the pocket ID card be readily available if requested.

Therefore I respectfully suggest the following amended wording to SB2013, SD1: The original or a copy of the certificate of licensure shall be prominently displayed at all times in the workplace where the dental



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hygienist is employed or practices. A dental hygienist's pocket identification card should be readily available for viewing upon request to ensure the license is current.

Thanks for all you do to protect the health of Hawaii's people, and thank you for giving me the opportunity to testify.



March 18, 2012

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Representative Ryan I. Yamane, Chair
Representative Dee Morikawa, Vice-Chair

SB2013 SD1

Hearing Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012, 9:00 a.m.
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
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Aloha Chairman Yamane and Committee Members—

I strongly support SB2013, SD1 regarding dental hygienists.
A licensed dental hygienist has completed a rigorous course of study, has successfully passed the National Board Exam Dental Hygiene and has passed a clinical examination as required by the state in which they desire licensure.

Licensed dental hygienists should prominently display their original license certificate or a copy thereof and should make available the pocket renewal showing their license is current. The public should know that the individual treating them is a licensed professional.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Very Respectfully,



Gayle Rubino

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Testimony for HLT 3/20/2012 9:00:00 AM SB2013

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Comments:
I support SB2013

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Submitted by: Mary Jane Tuvera-Takemoto RDH
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Comments:
I strongly support SB 2013 representing myself as a RDH. Mahalo for your continued support!

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Comments:

I strongly support SB 2013 representing myself as a RDH. Mahalo for your continued support!

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Submitted on: 3/18/2012

Comments:

I am a dentist and I strongly support SB2013 SD1 requiring dental hygienists to display their original license or a copy of it and make available upon request the pocket renewal to show that their license is current.

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Comments:
Sunday March 18, 2012

Representative Yamane, Chair
Representative Morikawa, Vice Chair
Members of the Health Committee

I strongly support SB 2013 SD1 regarding the requirement for dental hygienists to display their license in the offices they work in. The amendment which would require them to be able to produce the wallet card verifying that their license is current is also important. The public deserves to know that a board certified hygienist is performing their treatment. Thank you for your support of this measure.

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Submitted by: Laura A. Mallery-Sayre, RDH, MSDHEd
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Submitted on: 3/18/2012

Comments:

I strongly support SB2013, SD1 and urge the Committee to vote in favor. The enactment of this Bill will help to ensure the safety of the citizens of Hawaii by verifying publicly that their dental hygienist is duly and currently licensed in the State of Hawaii.

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Submitted by: Tori Clegg
Organization: Individual
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Submitted on: 3/18/2012

Comments:

I am a registered dental hygienist and I support this bill requiring all dental hygienist to display their licence in their place of work. This will not only make the person receiving care aware of who's taking care of them but also ensure the hygienist has a current license to provide care for that person/patient.