



EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR

July 5, 2017

GOV. MSG. NO. 1185

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki,
Speaker and Members of the
House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 5, 2017, the following bill was signed into law:

HB374 HD2 SD2

RELATING TO DENTAL ASSISTANTS
ACT 084 (17)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTAL ASSISTANTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that thirty-eight states
2 and the District of Columbia require some form of certification
3 or licensure for dental assistants. However, dental assistants
4 are not currently required to be certified or otherwise
5 regulated in Hawaii. The legislature notes that the University
6 of Hawaii, Kapiolani community college offers a dental assisting
7 certification program, accredited by the Commission on Dental
8 Accreditation of the American Dental Association. Furthermore,
9 Kapiolani community college's dental assisting program offers
10 pathways to certification as a certified dental assistant via
11 passage of an examination offered by the Dental Assisting
12 National Board, Inc.

13 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to require the
14 auditor to conduct a sunrise analysis on the effects of
15 regulation of dental assistants in the State via the
16 certification options for dental assistants offered by Kapiolani
17 community college's dental assisting program.



1 SECTION 2. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, the auditor
2 shall conduct a sunrise analysis on the effects of regulation of
3 dental assistants in the State via the certification
4 requirements for dental assistants offered by the University of
5 Hawaii Kapiolani community college's dental assisting program.

6 (b) The auditor shall examine the following pathways to
7 certification for dental assistants:

8 (1) Successful completion of the certificate of
9 achievement in dental assisting program at Kapiolani
10 Community College and successful completion of the
11 certified dental assistant examination offered by the
12 Dental Assisting National Board, Inc.; and

13 (2) Successful completion of the certificate of competence
14 in dental assisting from Kapiolani community college,
15 plus employer-verified proof of more than 3,500 hours
16 of employment as a dental assistant, and successful
17 completion of the certified dental assistant
18 examination offered by the Dental Assisting National
19 Board, Inc.

20 (c) The auditor shall submit a report of findings and
21 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the



1 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
2 the regular session of 2018.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

APPROVED this 5 day of JUL , 2017



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII



HB No. 374, HD 2, SD 2

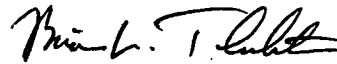
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 28, 2017
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.



Joseph M. Souki
Speaker
House of Representatives





Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 11, 2017
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2017.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate