

HOUSE BILL NO. 572

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY;
AMENDING SECTION 2-15-1732, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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

Section 1. Section 2-15-1732, MCA, is amended to read:

"2-15-1732. Board of dentistry. (1) There is a board of dentistry.

(2) ~~The Pursuant to subsection (6), the board consists of five~~ two dentists, one dentist two denturists,
two dental hygienists, and ~~two three~~ three public members, ~~one of whom.~~ Of the public members, one must be a senior
citizen, one must represent low-income citizens, and one must be an enrolled tribal member. All members are
appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate. Each licensed member must be licensed to practice
as a dentist, denturist, or dental hygienist in this state, must have actively practiced in this state for at least 5
continuous years immediately before the member's appointment, and must be actively engaged in practice while
serving on the board. Each member must be a resident of this state.

(3) ~~Each~~ The term of each member ~~shall serve for a term of~~ is 5 years. The governor may remove a
member only for neglect or cause.

(4) The governor shall fill any vacancy within 30 days.

(5) The board is allocated to the department for administrative purposes only as prescribed in 2-15-121.

(6) To transition to the new board composition:

(a) an appointment may not be made for the dentist's term that expires on March 29, 2012;

(b) a denturist must be appointed to fill the dentist's term that expires on March 29, 2013; and

(c) a public representative meeting at least one of the qualifications in subsection (2) must be appointed
to fill the dentist's term that expires on March 29, 2014."

NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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