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Sarah Swanson
Commissioner, Montana Department of Labor and Industry
1315 Lockey Ave
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Dear Commissioner Swanson,

At its March 5, 2024, meeting, a majority of the members of the Economic Affairs Interim Committee (EAIC) continued its objection to Montana Administrative Register (MAR) Notice No. 24-138-84. This notice relates to the Board of Dentistry's proposed rules relating to dental hygienists and limited access permits.

The EAIC originally made its objection under Montana Code Annotated section 2-4-305(9) in its January 28, 2024, meeting. Today, the committee voted to continue that objection. This statute requires the department to delay the adoption of the proposed rule until, at the least, the next EAIC meeting. At its next meeting, the EAIC would like to further consider the proposed rule and its objection.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Representative Josh Kassmier, consisting of stylized initials and a surname.

Representative Josh Kassmier, Presiding Officer