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House Bill 998*

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Amends Title [YES]
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Representative Bert Jones

1 moves to amend the bill on page 1, line 15, by rewriting the line to read:

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3 "IMPROVE HEALTH OUTCOMES, AND LOWER THE COST OF CARE; AND TO
4 IMPROVE ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE IN RURAL NORTH CAROLINA.";

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7 And on page 3, by rewriting lines 27-28, to read:

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11 **"PART IV. IMPROVE ACCESS TO DENTAL CARE**

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13 **SECTION 6.(a)** In addition to the efforts in Section 3(b) of this act, residents of rural
14 areas will benefit from increased access to dental care provided by expediting the license by
15 credentials process for dentists in states that border North Carolina.

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17 **SECTION 6.(b)** G.S. 90-36 reads as rewritten:

18 **"§ 90-36. Licensing practitioners of other states.**

19 (a) The North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners may issue a license by
20 credentials to an applicant who has been licensed to practice dentistry in any state or territory of
21 the United States if the applicant produces satisfactory evidence to the Board that the applicant
22 has the required education, training, and qualifications, is in good standing with the licensing
23 jurisdiction, has passed satisfactory examinations of proficiency in the knowledge and practice
24 of dentistry as determined by the Board, and meets all other requirements of this section and rules
25 adopted by the Board. The Board may conduct examinations and interviews to test the
26 qualifications of the applicant and may require additional information that would affect the
27 applicant's ability to render competent dental care. The Board may, in its discretion, refuse to
28 issue a license by credentials to an applicant who the Board determines is unfit to practice
29 dentistry.

30 (a1) The North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners shall issue a license by
31 credentials to any dentist who applies for a license by credentials and who holds a current license
32 and is in good standing with the licensing jurisdiction in one of the four states that border North



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1 Carolina provided that the dental board of the border state will also issue a license by credentials
2 to a dentist having a license to practice in North Carolina. The requirements of subsections (b),
3 (c), (d), and (e) of this section shall apply to any dentist who applies for a license by credentials
4 from a border state in accordance with this subsection.

5 (b) The applicant for licensure by credentials shall be of good moral character and shall
6 have graduated from and have a DDS or DMD degree from a program of dentistry in a school or
7 college accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental
8 Association and approved by the Board.

9 (c) The applicant must meet all of the following conditions:

- 10 (1) Has been actively practicing dentistry, as defined in G.S. 90-29(b)(1) through
11 (b)(9), for a minimum of five years immediately preceding the date of
12 application.
13 (2) Has not been the subject of final or pending disciplinary action in the Armed
14 Forces of the United States, in any state or territory in which the applicant is
15 or has ever been licensed to practice dentistry, or in any state or territory in
16 which the applicant has held any other professional license.
17 (3) Presents evidence that the applicant has no felony convictions and that the
18 applicant has no other criminal convictions that would affect the applicant's
19 ability to render competent dental care.
20 (4) Has not failed an examination conducted by the North Carolina State Board
21 of Dental Examiners.

22 (d) The applicant for licensure by credentials shall submit an application to the North
23 Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners, the form of which shall be determined by the Board,
24 pay the fee required by G.S. 90-39, successfully complete examinations in Jurisprudence and
25 Sterilization and Infection Control, and meet the criteria or requirements established by the
26 Board.

27 ~~(e) The holder of a license issued under this section shall establish a practice location and~~
28 ~~actively practice dentistry, as defined in G.S. 90-29(b)(1) through (b)(9), in North Carolina within~~
29 ~~one year from the date the license is issued.~~ The license issued under this section shall be void
30 upon a finding by the Board that the licensee fails to limit the licensee's practice to North Carolina
31 or that the licensee no longer actively practices dentistry in North Carolina. However, when a
32 dentist licensed under this section faces possible Board action to void the dentist's license for
33 failure to limit the dentist's practice to North Carolina, if the dentist demonstrates to the Board
34 that out-of-state practice actions were in connection with formal contract or employment
35 arrangements for the dentist to provide needed clinical dental care to patients who are part of an
36 identified ethnic or racial minority group living in a region of the other state with low access to
37 dental care, the Board, in its discretion, may waive the in-State limitations on the out-of-state
38 practice for a maximum of 12 months."
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1 **PART V. EFFECTIVE DATE**

2 **SECTION 7.** Section 6(b) of this act becomes effective October 1, 2018. The
3 remainder of this act is effective when it becomes law."

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Amendment Sponsor

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

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