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92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATORS CAUTHORN AND WHEELER.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 332.093, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to the practice of a dental assistant.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 332.093, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 332.093, to read as follows:

332.093. Any person "practices as a dental assistant" within the meaning of this chapter who provides patient services in cooperation with and under the direct supervision of a currently registered and licensed dentist **or hygienist** in Missouri. A currently registered and licensed dentist may delegate to a dental assistant, certified dental assistant or expanded functions dental assistant, under their direct supervision, such reversible acts that would be considered the practice of dentistry as defined in section 332.071 provided such delegation is done pursuant to the terms and conditions of a rule adopted by the Missouri dental board pursuant to section 332.031[; except that,]. No such rule may allow delegation of acts that conflict with the practice of dental hygiene as defined in section 332.091, with the exception that **removal of hard and soft deposits may be delegated to a dental assistant, certified dental assistant or expanded-functions dental assistant with at least three years of clinical experience that has satisfactorily completed an appropriate course of education containing a minimum of seventy-two combined didactic and clinical clock hours approved by the board, as well as polishing of teeth** may be delegated to a dental assistant, certified dental assistant or expanded-functions dental assistant. **The board shall have the authority to develop rules regulating the**

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

use of dental assistants to remove hard and soft deposits.

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