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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 332, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to distant dental hygienist learning programs, with sunset provisions.

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

Section A. Chapter 332, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 332.312, to read as follows:

332.312. 1. As used in this section, "Distant Dental Hygienist Learning Program" shall mean a training program for dental hygienists that allows course work to be completed offsite of the educational institution and clinical and didactic training to be delivered in a dental office licensed under chapter 332, or any other facility approved by the council on dental accreditation.

2. The department of economic development may contract with an institution of higher education to establish a distant dental hygienist learning program, which meets the standards established by the council on dental accreditation.

3. Under section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri sunset act:

(1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;

(2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and

(3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.