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Overview

If passed, this bill would add dental therapists and dental assistants to those professionals who can have examination requirements waived by the Board of Dentistry. It would also change current statute to require that dental assistants graduate from an accredited program <u>and</u> be certified by the Dental Assisting National Board, and would allow trained and certified dental assistants and dental hygienists to perform certain restorative dental procedures.

Section

- **1 Waiver of examination.** Amends § 150A.06, subd. 3. Adds dental therapists and dental assistants to the list of professionals for whom examination requirements may be waived, under certain circumstances and at the discretion of the board.
- 2 Licensure by credentials. Amends § 150A.06, subd. 8. Requires dental assistants to have graduated from an accredited dental assisting program and be certified by the Dental Assisting National Board.
- **3 Restorative procedures.** Amends § 150A.10, subd. 4. Allows dental assistants and dental hygienists trained and board certified in certain restorative dental functions to place restorative material on primary and permanent teeth, after a dentist or dental therapist has prepared the tooth structure.