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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTISTRY.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 448-8.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:  
3           "**§448-8.5 Continuing education requirements.** The board  
4 shall adopt a program of continuing education for dentists and a  
5 program of continuing education for dental hygienists. After  
6 January 1, 2002, at the time of reregistration of license as a  
7 dentist or dental hygienist, each licensee shall present to the  
8 board evidence of compliance with the program of continuing  
9 education applicable to their profession. In addition to any  
10 other continuing education requirement adopted by the board,  
11 after January 1, 2016, each licensee who is a dentist shall  
12 present to the board evidence of having completed at least  
13 [~~three~~] six hours of ethics training during the previous [~~year-~~]  
14 two years for each biennial renewal period. Failure to  
15 reregister and present evidence of compliance shall constitute a  
16 forfeiture of license, which may be restored only upon written



1 application therefor and payment to the board of a restoration  
2 fee."

3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Dentistry; Dentists; Continuing Education; Ethics; Board of  
Dental Examiners

**Description:**

Amends the ethics training requirement for dentists in the  
continuing education program to be six hours of ethics training  
within the previous two years, for each biennial renewal period.  
(SD1)

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