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HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill: Senate File 438
Committee: State Government
Date: April 20, 2011
Staff: Kristi Kielhorn (2-5290)
Members: Representative Rogers

Dentist Reciprocity

Senate File 438 makes changes to current law for out-of-state dentists applying for licenses in Iowa.

Summary of Action

Passed Senate State Government 15-0
Passed Senate 49-0
Passed House State Government 23-0
Passed House 94-0
Signed by Governor

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1—License by Credentials

This section strikes the current law that required dentists and dental hygienists with an out-of-state license to pass both a written test and evidence three years of experience before obtaining an Iowa license. Instead, the bill requires an out-of-state licensee do only one of the following:

- Pass a written test.
- Evidence three consecutive years of legal dental practice in another state immediately prior to applying in Iowa.
- Furnish other evidence as to the applicant's qualifications as the board may require.