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SYNOPSIS
Adds one dental assistant to NJ State Board of Dentistry.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT
As introduced.
AN ACT concerning the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry,
amending R.S.45:6-1 and repealing section 10 of P.L.2007,
c.259.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
of New Jersey:

1. R.S.45:6-1 is amended as follows:

45:6-1. The State Board of Registration and Examination in
Dentistry in the Division of Professional Boards of the Department
of Law and Public Safety, hereinafter in this chapter designated as
the "board," created and established by an act entitled "An act to
regulate the practice of dentistry in the State of New Jersey, and to
repeal certain acts now relating to the same," approved March 31,
1915 (L.1915, c. 146, p. 261), as amended and supplemented, is
continued, and shall hereafter be known and designated as the New
Jersey State Board of Dentistry. Wherever in any law, rule,
regulation, judicial or administrative proceeding or otherwise,
reference is made to the State Board of Registration and
Examination in Dentistry, the same shall mean and refer to the New
Jersey State Board of Dentistry.

In addition to two public members, the board shall consist of
nine members, of whom three shall have resided
and practiced dentistry in this State for at least 10 years each
immediately preceding their appointments, and one of whom
shall be a dental hygienist, and one of whom shall be a dental
assistant appointed by the Governor for a term of 4 years. In
appointing a dental hygienist, and dental assistant, the
Governor shall give due consideration to, but shall not be bound by,
the recommendation of the New Jersey Dental Hygienists’
Association and the New Jersey Dental Assistants’
Association, as applicable. Upon the expiration of the term of
office of any member, his successor shall be appointed by the
Governor, subject to the provisions of section 45:1-2 of this Title,
for a term of 4 years, except that the successors of the members
whose terms will expire on June 4, 1949, shall be appointed each
for a term expiring on August 31, 1952; the successors of the
members whose terms will expire on November 9, 1949, and
January 7, 1950, respectively, shall be appointed each for a term
expiring on August 31, 1953; the successors of the members
whose terms will expire on July 31, 1950, and October 8, 1950,
respectively, shall be appointed each for a term expiring on August
31, 1954; and the successors of the members whose terms will
expire on July 30, 1951, and November 4, 1951, respectively, shall
be appointed each for a term expiring on August 31, 1955.

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

Matter underlined thus is new matter.
P.L.1971, c.60 (C.45:1-2.1 et seq.). Each member shall hold his office until his successor is appointed and qualifies. Any vacancy in the membership of the board, occurring from any cause, shall be filled by the Governor for the unexpired term only. Upon cause being shown before him, the Governor may remove a member from office upon proven charges of inefficiency, incompetency, immorality or professional misconduct.

(cf: P.L.1979, c.46, s.22)

2. P.L.2007, c.259, s.10 (C.45:6-1a) is repealed.

3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill adds one dental assistant to the membership of the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry. Currently, the board consists of two public members, nine members who have resided and practiced dentistry within this State for 10 years, and one member who is a dental hygienist. Under this bill, the additional member will be appointed by the Governor for a term of 4 years. In addition, the Governor will consider, but not be obligated to follow, the recommendations of the New Jersey Dental Assistants’ Association when appointing the dental assistant board member.

This bill also makes technical changes to the statutes: repealing section 10 of P.L.2007, c.259 and amending R.S.45:6-1 to include the 2007 provisions regarding the addition of another dentist to the board’s membership; removing an obsolete provision concerning membership succession; and updating certain organization and statutory references.