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Introduced by M. of A. WOERNER, McDONALD, ANGELINO, MAGNARELLI, DeSTEFANO, LUPARDO, DICKENS, LUNSFORD, SEAWRIGHT, THIELE -- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. SIMON -- read once and referred to the Committee on Higher Education -- recommitted to the Committee on Higher Education in accordance with Assembly Rule 3, sec. 2 -- committee discharged, bill amended, ordered reprinted as amended and recommitted to said committee

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to requirements for licensure as a dentist

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subdivisions 3 and 6 of section 6604 of the education law,  
2 subdivision 3 as amended by chapter 613 of the laws of 2022 and subdivi-  
3 sion 6 as amended by chapter 669 of the laws of 2022, are amended to  
4 read as follows:  
5 (3) Experience: have experience satisfactory to the board and in  
6 accordance with the commissioner's regulations, provided that:  
7 (a) such experience shall consist of satisfactory completion of a  
8 postdoctoral general practice or specialty dental residency program, of  
9 at least one year's duration, in a hospital or dental facility accred-  
10 ited for teaching purposes by a national accrediting body approved by  
11 the department, provided, further that any such residency program shall  
12 include a formal outcome assessment evaluation of the resident's compe-  
13 tence to practice dentistry acceptable to the department; or  
14 (b) notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subdivision, for an appli-  
15 cant with a minimum of three years of full-time dental practice experi-  
16 ence, or the equivalent thereof, within the five years immediately  
17 preceding the applicant's application and in the state or country from  
18 which such applicant received a license to practice dentistry, such  
19 experience may consist of satisfactory completion of a minimum of one  
20 year of either: (i) experience as a full-time faculty member employed

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 at an approved New York state school of dentistry, or (ii) full-time  
2 experience, or the equivalent thereof, as a general practice dental  
3 preceptee in a preceptorship program under the supervision of a licensed  
4 dentist in an area which has been designated a federal dental  
5 health professions shortage area, provided further that the licensed  
6 dentist who supervises such a preceptee shall be designated the precep-  
7 tor dentist, have practiced for at least five years immediately preced-  
8 ing assuming a preceptorship, and have under his or her supervision not  
9 more than one full-time preceptee nor more than two part-time  
10 preceptees;

11 (6) Citizenship or immigration status: be a United States citizen or a  
12 noncitizen lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United  
13 States; provided, however, that the board of regents may grant a three  
14 year waiver for a noncitizen to practice in an area which has been  
15 designated a federal dental health professions shortage area, except  
16 that the board of regents may grant an additional extension not to  
17 exceed six years to a noncitizen to enable him or her to secure citizen-  
18 ship or permanent resident status, provided such status is being active-  
19 ly pursued; and provided further that the board of regents may grant an  
20 additional three-year waiver, and at its expiration, an extension for a  
21 period not to exceed six additional years, for the holder of an H-1b  
22 visa, an O-1 visa, or an equivalent or successor visa thereto;

23 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.