



Ninety-Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2004
Committee Statement
LB 1159

Hearing Date: February 6, 2004
Committee On: Health and Human Services

Introducer(s): (Synowiecki, Byars, Johnson)
Title: Prohibit certain acts relating to dentistry practice as prescribed

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

- Advanced to General File
 - X Advanced to General File with Amendments
 - Indefinitely Postponed
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Vote Results:

6	Yes	Senator Jensen, Byars, Maxwell, Erdman, Johnson and Stuthman
	No	
	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Cunningham

Proponents:

Senator Synowiecki
 Larry Ruth
 Dr. Sandra Larson
 Dr. Robert Hinrichs
 Dr. Wayne Barkmeier

Representing:

Introducer
 Nebraska Dental Association
 Nebraska Dental Association
 Nebraska Board of Dentistry
 Creighton University

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes: The bill prohibits any person from coercing or attempting to coerce a licensed dentist to practice dentistry in any manner contrary to the professional judgment of the dentist which conforms with the standards of acceptable and prevailing practice of the dental profession. A cause of action is provided for any dentist subjected to such coercion or attempted coercion.

Violation by a health care professional regulated under the Uniform Licensing Law may be considered evidence of unprofessional conduct and is a Class III misdemeanor.

Explanation of amendments, if any: The committee amendment (AM 2588) makes technical revisions to the bill as introduced. It also amends section 71-185.03, relating to dental faculty licenses, to provide for recognition of a Canadian license to practice dentistry for receipt of a faculty license.

Senator Jim Jensen, Chairperson