

**ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB834**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 24, 2024  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Blood  
**One Liner:** Establish requirements for a resident dental license

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 7 Senators Ballard, Cavanaugh, M., Day, Hansen, Hardin, Riepe, Walz  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Carol Blood  
Dr. Sumit Yadav  
Carolyn Taggart-Burns

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
Self/UNMC Dental  
Nebraska Dental Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 834 would replace the current “temporary” dental license under 38-129 with a “resident” dental license. In order to receive a resident license an individual would need proof of doctoral degree in dental surgery or dental medicine and passage of an exam approved by the Board of Dentistry. An individual that has obtained a resident dental license and completed a postgraduate or residency program is deemed to have the appropriate clinical skill required under 38-1117(dental license).

Sec. 1: Change “temporary” to resident license under 38-1123

Sec. 2: The board shall issue a resident license to any person who presents proof of graduation with a doctorate degree in dental surgery or dental medicine from an accredited school or college of dentistry and passes an examination approved by the board, which shall consist of the National Board Dental Examination, Parts I and II, or the Integrated National Board Dental Examination, as constructed and administered by the American Dental Association Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, (d) passes the practical examination administered by the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, ADEX, or any other regional or state practical examination approved by the board.



For purposes of approving regional or state practical examinations, an accredited school or college of dentistry shall provide input to the board annually.

An applicant who is licensed pursuant to this section and has completed a postgraduate or residency program in dentistry at an accredited school or college of dentistry shall have demonstrated the applicant's skill in clinical dentistry for purposes of section 38-1117.

Sec. 3: Original sections 38-1123, 38-129.01 repealed

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The standing Committee Amendment is a white copy amendment. The amendment adds language under Sec 2 for exam requirements. More specifically it adds an additional requirement that the applicant must pass a jurisprudence examination based on Nebraska law and administrative rules and regulations governing the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene.

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Ben Hansen, Chairperson

