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Overview

This act establishes guest licensure or registration for dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants who are licensed or registered in a state bordering Minnesota and who want to provide dental care at a public health setting in Minnesota to indigent patients who have difficulty accessing dental care. It also appropriates money for this purpose.

- 1 **Guest license or registration.** Adds subd. 2c to section 150A.06. Paragraph (a) requires the board of dentistry to grant a guest license or registration to a dentist, dental hygienist, or dental assistant who is licensed or registered in good standing in a border state; is currently practicing in a border state; wants to practice in a board-approved public health setting that provides dental care to patients who have difficulty accessing it; agrees to treat indigent patients who meet the clinic's eligibility criteria; and applies to the board and pays a \$50 fee.
Paragraph (b) allows a dental provider with a guest license or registration to practice only at a single, specific location in Minnesota. Requires annual renewal and payment of an annual \$50 fee. If the Minnesota clinic at which the provider practices closes, automatically revokes the guest license or registration.
Paragraph (c) makes a dental provider practicing under this subdivision subject to the same obligations as Minnesota-licensed providers, and subject to Minnesota law and the board's regulatory authority. Requires the board to report any disciplinary action taken against such providers to the board in the provider's home state.
This section is effective the day following final enactment.
- 2 **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$3,000 for FY 2003 from the state government special revenue fund to the board to implement section 1.