

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2136 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY MURT, NEILSON AND THOMAS, JUNE 9, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, JUNE 9, 2016

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 1, 1933 (P.L.216, No.76), entitled "An
2 act relating to dentistry; defining and providing for the
3 licensing and registration of dentists and dental hygienists,
4 and for the revocation and suspension of such licenses and
5 registrations, subject to appeal, and for their
6 reinstatement; defining the powers and duties of the State
7 Dental Council and Examining Board and the Department of
8 Public Instruction; providing penalties; and repealing
9 existing laws," further providing for dental technicians and
10 prescriptions.

11 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
12 hereby enacts as follows:

13 Section 1. Section 11.1(b) and (d) of the act of May 1, 1933
14 (P.L.216, No.76), known as The Dental Law, amended May 13, 1959
15 (P.L.316, No.59), are amended to read:

16 Section 11.1. Dental Technicians; Prescriptions.--* * *

17 (b) Any dentist who uses the services of a dental technician
18 [in this State] shall furnish [him] the dental technician with a
19 written prescription, based upon a physical examination of the
20 patient's oral health conducted by the prescribing dentist, on
21 forms prescribed by the board, which shall contain: (1) the name
22 and address of the dental technician; (2) The patient's name or

1 identification number. If a number is used the patient's name
2 shall be written upon the duplicate copy of the prescription
3 retained by the dentist; (3) The date on which the prescription
4 was written; (4) A prescription of the work to be done, with
5 diagrams if necessary; (5) A specification of the type and
6 quality of materials to be used; (6) The signature of the
7 dentist and his license number.

8 The dental technician shall retain the original prescription,
9 and the dentist shall retain a duplicate copy thereof for
10 inspection by the board or its agent for a period of two years.

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12 (d) It shall be unlawful for any dental technician to
13 furnish services to any [dentist] person without first obtaining
14 a prescription therefor from [him] a dentist, or to fail to
15 retain the original prescription for two years, or to refuse to
16 allow the board or its agent to inspect his files.

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18 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.