

# **WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE**

**2021 REGULAR SESSION**

**ENROLLED**

**Committee Substitute**

**for**

**House Bill 2962**

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passage.]



1 AN ACT to amend and reenact §30-4-8, §30-4-10, §30-4-13, §30-4-15, §30-4-16, §30-4-17, §30-  
2 4-19, §30-4-20, §30-4-22, §30-4-23, and §30-4-24 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as  
3 amended, all relating to the practice of dentistry; updating the requirements for a license  
4 to practice dentistry; updating the requirements for a license to practice as a dental  
5 hygienist; requiring a board authorization be present in the place of practice; making  
6 technical corrections to special volunteer dentists; requiring payment for certain  
7 examinations; permitting the formation of a professional limited liability companies;  
8 updating the complaint process; updating the criteria used when considering disciplinary  
9 action; updating the types of disciplinary sanctions; requiring providing criminal penalties;  
10 clarifying that a student enrolled in an accredited dental program may, under the  
11 supervision of a licensed dentist or dental hygienist perform certain tasks under certain  
12 conditions without necessitating a license; and making technical changes.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

**ARTICLE 4. WEST VIRGINIA DENTAL PRACTICE ACT.**

**§30-4-8. License to practice dentistry.**

1 (a) The board shall issue a license to practice dentistry to an applicant who meets the  
2 following:  
3 (1) Is at least 18 years of age;  
4 (2) Does not have any criminal convictions which would bar the applicant's licensure  
5 pursuant to §30-1-24 of this code;  
6 (3) Is a graduate of and has a diploma from a school accredited by the Commission on  
7 Dental Accreditation or equivalently approved dental college, school, or dental department of a  
8 university as determined by the board;  
9 (4) Has passed a national board examination as given by the Joint Commission on  
10 National Dental Examinations and a clinical examination administered by the Commission on  
11 Dental Competency Assessments, the Central Regional Dental Testing Service, the Council of

12 Interstate Testing Agencies, the Southern Regional Testing Agency, or the Western Regional  
13 Examining Board, or the successor to any of those entities, which demonstrates competency, and  
14 passed each individual component with no compensatory scoring in:

15 (A) Endodontics, including access opening of a posterior tooth and access, canal  
16 instrumentation, and obturation of an anterior tooth;

17 (B) Fixed prosthodontics, including an anterior crown preparation and two posterior crown  
18 preparations involving a fixed partial denture factor;

19 (C) Periodontics, including scaling and root planing; and

20 (D) Restorative, including a class II amalgam or composite preparation and restoration  
21 and a class III composite preparation and restoration.

22 (E) The board may consider clinical examinations taken prior to July 1, 2019, or individual  
23 state clinical examinations as equivalent which demonstrates competency.

24 (5) Has not been found guilty of cheating, deception, or fraud in the examination or any  
25 part of the application;

26 (6) Has paid the application fee specified by rule;

27 (7) Not be an alcohol or drug abuser, as these terms are defined in §27-1A-11 of this code:

28 *Provided*, That an applicant in an active recovery process, which may, in the discretion of the  
29 board, be evidenced by participation in a 12-step program or other similar group or process, may  
30 be considered; and

31 (8) Meets the other requirements specified by rule.

32 (b) A dentist may not represent to the public that he or she is a specialist in any branch of  
33 dentistry or limit his or her practice to any branch of dentistry unless first issued a certificate of  
34 qualification in that branch of dentistry by the board.

35 (c) A license to practice dentistry issued by the board shall for all purposes be considered  
36 a license issued under this section: *Provided*, That a person holding a license shall renew the  
37 license.

**§30-4-10. License to practice dental hygiene.**

1 (a) The board shall issue a dental hygienist license to an applicant who meets the following  
2 requirements:

3 (1) Is at least 18 years of age;

4 (2) Does not have any criminal convictions which would bar the applicant's licensure  
5 pursuant to §30-1-24 of this code;

6 (3) Is a graduate with a degree in dental hygiene from an approved dental hygiene  
7 program of a college, school, or dental department of a university;

8 (4) Has passed a national board examination as given by the Joint Commission on  
9 National Dental Examinations and passed a board-approved examination designed to determine  
10 the applicant's level of clinical skills;

11 (5) Has not been found guilty of cheating, deception, or fraud in the examination or any  
12 part of the application;

13 (6) Has paid the application fee specified by rule;

14 (7) Is not an alcohol or drug abuser, as those terms are defined in §27-1A-11 of this code:  
15 *Provided*, That an applicant in an active recovery process, which may, in the discretion of the  
16 board, be evidenced by participation in a 12-step program or other similar group or process, may  
17 be considered; and

18 (8) Meets the other requirements specified by rule.

19 (b) A dental hygienist license issued by the board and in good standing on the effective  
20 date of the amendments to this section shall for all purposes be considered a dental hygienist  
21 license issued under this section: *Provided*, That a person holding a dental hygienist license shall  
22 renew the license.

**§30-4-13. Board authorizations shall be displayed.**

1 (a) The board shall prescribe the form for a board authorization, and may issue a duplicate  
2 upon payment of a fee.

3 (b) Any person regulated by this article shall conspicuously display his or her board  
4 authorization at his or her principal place of practice.

**§30-4-15. Special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license; civil immunity for voluntary  
services rendered to indigents.**

1 (a) There is continued a special volunteer dentist and dental hygienist license for dentists  
2 and dental hygienists retired or retiring from the active practice of dentistry and dental hygiene  
3 who wish to donate their expertise for the care and treatment of indigent and needy patients in  
4 the clinical setting of clinics organized, in whole or in part, for the delivery of health care services  
5 without charge. The special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license shall be issued by the  
6 board to a dentist or dental hygienist licensed or otherwise eligible for licensure under this article  
7 and the legislative rules promulgated hereunder without the payment of an application fee, license  
8 fee or renewal fee, shall be issued for the remainder of the licensing period and renewed  
9 consistent with the board's other licensing requirements. The board shall develop application  
10 forms for the special license provided in this subsection which shall contain the dentist's or dental  
11 hygienist's acknowledgment that:

12 (1) The dentist's or dental hygienist's practice under the special volunteer dentist or dental  
13 hygienist license will be exclusively devoted to providing dentistry or dental hygiene care to needy  
14 and indigent persons in West Virginia;

15 (2) The dentist or dental hygienist will not receive any payment or compensation, either  
16 direct or indirect, or have the expectation of any payment or compensation but may donate to the  
17 clinic the proceeds of any reimbursement, for any dentistry or dental hygiene services rendered  
18 under the special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license;

19 (3) The dentist or dental hygienist will supply any supporting documentation that the board  
20 may reasonably require; and

21           (4) The dentist or dental hygienist agrees to continue to participate in continuing  
22 professional education as required by the board for the special volunteer dentist or dental  
23 hygienist.

24           (b) Any person engaged in the active practice of dentistry and dental hygiene in this state  
25 whose license is in good standing may donate their expertise for the care and treatment of indigent  
26 and needy patients pursuant to an arrangement with a clinic organized, in whole or in part, for the  
27 delivery of health care services without charge to the patient. Services rendered pursuant to an  
28 arrangement may be performed in either the office of the dentist or dental hygienist or the clinical  
29 setting.

30           (c) Any dentist or dental hygienist who renders any dentistry or dental hygiene service to  
31 indigent and needy patients of a clinic organized, in whole or in part, for the delivery of health care  
32 services without charge under a special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license authorized  
33 under subsection (a) of this section or pursuant to an arrangement with a clinic as authorized  
34 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section without payment or compensation or the expectation or  
35 promise of payment or compensation is immune from liability in any civil action arising out of any  
36 act or omission incident to rendering service at the clinic unless the act or omission was the result  
37 of the dentist's or dental hygienist's gross negligence or willful misconduct. In order for the  
38 immunity under this subsection to apply, there shall be a written agreement between the dentist  
39 or dental hygienist and the clinic, pursuant to which the dentist or dental hygienist will provide  
40 voluntary uncompensated services under the control of the clinic to patients of the clinic, executed  
41 prior to the rendering of any services by the dentist or dental hygienist at the clinic: *Provided*, That  
42 any clinic entering into such written agreement is required to maintain liability coverage of not less  
43 than \$1 million per occurrence.

44           (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, a clinic organized, in  
45 whole or in part, for the delivery of health care services without charge is not relieved from imputed  
46 liability for the negligent acts of a dentist or dental hygienist rendering voluntary uncompensated

47 services at or for the clinic under a special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license issued  
48 under subsection (a) of this section or who renders such care and treatment pursuant to an  
49 arrangement with a clinic as authorized pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

50 (e) For purposes of this section, "otherwise eligible for licensure" means the satisfaction  
51 of all the requirements for licensure as listed in section eight of this article and in the legislative  
52 rules promulgated thereunder, except the fee requirements of subdivision (6) of said section and  
53 of the legislative rules promulgated by the board relating to fees.

54 (f) Nothing in this section may be construed as requiring the board to issue a special  
55 volunteer dentist or dental hygienist license to any dentist or dental hygienist whose license is or  
56 has been subject to any disciplinary action or to any dentist or dental hygienist who has  
57 surrendered a license or caused such license to lapse, expire or become inactive in lieu of having  
58 a complaint initiated or other action taken against his or her license, or who has been denied a  
59 dentist or dental hygienist license.

60 (g) Any policy or contract of liability insurance providing coverage for liability that is sold,  
61 issued or delivered in this state to any dentist or dental hygienist covered under the provisions of  
62 this article shall be read so as to contain a provision or endorsement whereby the company issuing  
63 such policy waives or agrees not to assert as a defense on behalf of the policyholder or any  
64 beneficiary thereof, to any claim covered by the terms of such policy within the policy limits, the  
65 immunity from liability of the insured by reason of the care and treatment of needy and indigent  
66 patients by a dentist or dental hygienist who holds a special volunteer dentist or dental hygienist  
67 license or who renders such care and treatment pursuant to an arrangement with a clinic as  
68 authorized pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

**§30-4-16. Dental corporations and professional limited liability companies.**

1 (a) Dental corporations and professional limited liability companies are continued.

2 (b) One or more dentists licensed by the board may organize and become a shareholder  
3 or shareholders of a dental corporation, or member or members of a professional limited liability



4 company, domiciled within this state under the terms and conditions and subject to the limitations  
5 and restrictions specified by rule.

6 (c) No corporation or professional limited liability company may practice dentistry, or any  
7 of its branches, or hold itself out as being capable of doing so without a certificate of authorization  
8 from the board.

9 (d) When the Secretary of State receives a certificate of authorization to act as a dental  
10 corporation or professional limited liability company from the board, he or she shall attach the  
11 authorization to the corporation application and, upon compliance with the applicable provisions  
12 of Chapter 31 or Chapter 31B of this code, the Secretary of State shall issue to the incorporators  
13 a certificate of incorporation for the dental corporation or to the organizers a certificate of  
14 organization for the professional limited liability company.

15 (e) A corporation or professional limited liability company holding a certificate of  
16 authorization shall renew annually, on or before June 30, on a form prescribed by the board and  
17 pay an annual fee in an amount specified by rule.

18 (f) A dental corporation or professional limited liability company may practice dentistry only  
19 through one or more dentists licensed to practice dentistry in this state, but the dentist or dentists  
20 may be employees rather than shareholders or members of the corporation or company.

21 (g) A dental corporation holding a certificate of authorization shall cease to engage in the  
22 practice of dentistry upon being notified by the board that any of its shareholders is no longer a  
23 licensed dentist or when any shares of the corporation have been sold or disposed of to a person  
24 who is not a licensed dentist: *Provided*, That the personal representative of a deceased  
25 shareholder has a period, not to exceed twenty-four months from the date of the shareholder's  
26 death, to dispose of the shares; but nothing contained herein may be construed as affecting the  
27 existence of the corporation or its right to continue to operate for all lawful purposes other than  
28 the practice of dentistry.

**§30-4-17. Reinstatement.**

1 (a) A licensee against whom disciplinary action has been taken under the provisions of  
2 this article shall be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate the qualifications to resume practice.  
3 The application for reinstatement shall be in writing and subject to the procedures specified by  
4 the board by rule.

5 (b) A licensee who does not complete annual renewal, as specified herein and by the  
6 board by rule, and whose license has lapsed for one year or longer, shall make application for  
7 reinstatement as specified by the board by rule.

8 (c) The board, at its discretion and for cause, may require an applicant for reinstatement  
9 to undergo a physical and/or mental evaluation, at his or her expense, to determine whether the  
10 applicant is competent to practice dentistry or dental hygiene.

**§30-4-19. Complaints; investigations; due process procedure; grounds for disciplinary  
action.**

1 (a) The board may initiate a complaint upon receipt of the quarterly report from the Board  
2 of Pharmacy as required by §60A-9-1 *et seq.* of this code or upon receipt of credible information  
3 and shall, upon the receipt of a written complaint of any person, cause an investigation to be  
4 made to determine whether grounds exist for disciplinary action under this article or the legislative  
5 rules promulgated pursuant to this article.

6 (b) After reviewing any information obtained through an investigation, the board shall  
7 determine if probable cause exists that the licensee, certificate holder, or permittee has violated  
8 §30-4-19 (g) of this code or rules promulgated pursuant to this article.

9 (c) Upon a finding of probable cause to go forward with a complaint, the board shall provide  
10 a copy of the complaint to the licensee, certificate holder, or permittee.

11 (d) Upon a finding that probable cause exists that the licensee, certificate holder, or  
12 permittee has violated §30-4-19(g) of this code or rules promulgated pursuant to this article, the  
13 board may enter into a consent decree or hold a hearing for disciplinary action against the

14 licensee, certificate holder, or permittee. Any hearing shall be held in accordance with the  
15 provisions of this article and shall require a violation to be proven by a preponderance of the  
16 evidence.

17 (e) A member of the complaint committee or the executive director of the board may issue  
18 subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum to obtain testimony and documents to aid in the  
19 investigation of allegations against any person regulated by this article.

20 (f) Any member of the board or its executive director may sign a consent decree or other  
21 legal document on behalf of the board.

22 (g) The board may, after notice and opportunity for hearing, deny or refuse to renew,  
23 suspend, restrict, or revoke the license, certificate, or permit of, or impose probationary conditions  
24 upon, or take disciplinary action against, any licensee, certificate holder, or permittee for any of  
25 the following reasons:

26 (1) Obtaining a board authorization by fraud, misrepresentation, or concealment of  
27 material facts;

28 (2) Being convicted of a felony crime, or being convicted of a misdemeanor crime related  
29 to the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene;

30 (3) Being guilty of malpractice or neglect in the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene;

31 (4) Violation of a lawful order or legislative rule of the board;

32 (5) Having had a board authorization revoked or suspended, other disciplinary action  
33 taken, or an application for a board authorization denied by the proper authorities of another  
34 jurisdiction;

35 (6) Aiding, abetting, or supervising the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene by an  
36 unlicensed person;

37 (7) Engaging in conduct, while acting in a professional capacity, which has endangered or  
38 is likely to endanger the health, welfare, or safety of the public;

39 (8) Having an incapacity that prevents one from engaging in the practice of dentistry or  
40 dental hygiene, with reasonable skill, competence, and safety to the public;

41 (9) Committing fraud in connection with the practice of dentistry or dental hygiene;

42 (10) Failing to report to the board one's surrender of a license or authorization to practice  
43 dentistry or dental hygiene in another jurisdiction while under disciplinary investigation by any of  
44 those authorities or bodies for conduct that would constitute grounds for action as defined in this  
45 section;

46 (11) Failing to report to the board any adverse judgment, settlement, or award arising from  
47 a malpractice claim related to conduct that would constitute grounds for action as defined in this  
48 section;

49 (12) Being guilty of unprofessional conduct as contained in the American Dental  
50 Association principles of ethics and code of professional conduct. The following acts are  
51 conclusively presumed to be unprofessional conduct:

52 (A) Being guilty of any fraud or deception;

53 (B) Abusing alcohol or drugs;

54 (C) Violating or improperly disclosing any professional confidence;

55 (D) Harassing, abusing, intimidating, insulting, degrading, or humiliating a patient  
56 physically, verbally, or through another form of communication;

57 (E) Obtaining any fee by fraud or misrepresentation;

58 (F) Employing directly or indirectly, or directing or permitting any suspended or unlicensed  
59 person, to perform operations of any kind or to treat lesions of the human teeth or jaws, or correct  
60 malimposed formations thereof;

61 (G) Practicing or offering or undertaking to practice dentistry under any firm name or trade  
62 name not approved by the board;

63 (H) Having a professional connection or association with, or lending his or her name to,  
64 another for the illegal practice of dentistry, or having a professional connection or association with

65 any person, firm, or corporation holding himself or herself, themselves, or itself out in any manner  
66 contrary to this article;

67 (I) Making use of any advertising relating to the use of any drug or medicine of unknown  
68 formula;

69 (J) Advertising to practice dentistry or perform any operation thereunder without causing  
70 pain;

71 (K) Advertising professional superiority or the performance of professional services in a  
72 superior manner;

73 (L) Advertising to guarantee any dental service;

74 (M) Advertising in any manner that is false or misleading in any material respect; or

75 (N) Engaging in any action or conduct which would have warranted the denial of the  
76 license.

77 (13) Knowing or suspecting that a licensee is incapable of engaging in the practice of  
78 dentistry or dental hygiene, with reasonable skill, competence, and safety to the public, and failing  
79 to report that information to the board;

80 (14) Using or disclosing protected health information in an unauthorized or unlawful  
81 manner;

82 (15) Engaging in any conduct that subverts or attempts to subvert any licensing  
83 examination or the administration of any licensing examination;

84 (16) Failing to furnish to the board or its representatives any information legally requested  
85 by the board or failing to cooperate with or engaging in any conduct which obstructs an  
86 investigation being conducted by the board;

87 (17) Announcing or otherwise holding himself or herself out to the public as a specialist or  
88 as being specially qualified in any particular branch of dentistry or as giving special attention to  
89 any branch of dentistry or as limiting his or her practice to any branch of dentistry without first

90 complying with the requirements established by the board for the specialty and having been  
91 issued a certificate of qualification in the specialty by the board;

92 (18) Failing to report to the board within 72 hours of becoming aware of any life threatening  
93 occurrence, serious injury, or death of a patient resulting from the licensee's or permittee's dental  
94 treatment;

95 (19) Administering sedation anesthesia without a valid permit, or other violation of §30-  
96 4A-1 *et seq.* of this code;

97 (20) Failing to observe or adhere to regulations, standards, or guidelines regarding  
98 infection control, disinfection, or sterilization, or otherwise applicable to dental care settings;

99 (21) Failing to report to the board any driving under the influence and/or driving while  
100 intoxicated offense; or

101 (22) Violation of any of the terms or conditions of any order entered in any disciplinary  
102 action.

103 (h) For the purposes of §30-4-19(g) of this code, disciplinary action may include:

104 (1) Reprimand;

105 (2) Probation;

106 (3) Restrictions;

107 (4) Suspension;

108 (5) Revocation;

109 (6) Administrative fine, not to exceed \$1,000 per day per violation;

110 (7) Mandatory attendance at continuing education seminars or other training;

111 (8) Practicing under supervision or other restriction; or

112 (9) Requiring the licensee or permittee to report to the board for periodic interviews for a  
113 specified period of time.

114 (i) In addition to any other sanction imposed, the board may require a licensee or permittee  
115 to pay the board's costs incurred in investigating and adjudicating a disciplinary matter, including  
116 the board's legal fees.

117 (j) The board may defer disciplinary action with regard to an impaired licensee or permittee  
118 who voluntarily signs an agreement, in a form satisfactory to the board, agreeing not to practice  
119 dental care and to enter an approved treatment and monitoring program in accordance with the  
120 board's legislative rules: *Provided*, That this subsection does not apply to a licensee or permittee  
121 who has been convicted of, pleads guilty to, or enters a plea of nolo contendere to an offense  
122 relating to a controlled substance in any jurisdiction.

123 (k) A person authorized to practice under this article who reports or otherwise provides  
124 evidence of the negligence, impairment, or incompetence of another member of this profession  
125 to the board or to any peer review organization is not liable to any person for making the report if  
126 the report is made without actual malice and in the reasonable belief that the report is warranted  
127 by the facts known to him or her at the time.

**§30-4-20. Procedures for hearing; right of appeal.**

1 (a) Hearings are governed by the provisions of §30-1-8 of this code and the legislative  
2 rules promulgated pursuant to this article.

3 (b) The board may conduct the hearing or elect to have an administrative law judge  
4 conduct the hearing.

5 (c) If the hearing is conducted by an administrative law judge, at the conclusion of the  
6 hearing he or she shall prepare a proposed written order containing findings of fact and  
7 conclusions of law. The proposed order may contain proposed disciplinary actions if the board so  
8 directs. The board may accept, reject or modify the decision of the administrative law judge.

9 (d) Any member of the board or the executive director of the board has the authority to  
10 administer oaths and to examine any person under oath.

11 (e) If, after a hearing, the board determines the licensee or permittee has violated one or  
12 more provisions of this article or the board's rules, a formal written decision shall be prepared  
13 which contains findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a specific description of the disciplinary  
14 actions imposed.

**§30-4-22. Criminal offenses.**

1 (a) When, as a result of an investigation under this article or otherwise, the board has  
2 reason to believe that a person has committed a criminal offense in violation of this article, the  
3 board may bring such information to the attention of an appropriate law-enforcement official.

4 (b) Any person who practices dentistry or dental hygiene in this state and (1) has never  
5 been licensed by the board under this article, (2) holds a license that has been classified by the  
6 board as expired or lapsed, or (3) holds a license that has been inactive, revoked, or suspended  
7 as a result of disciplinary action, or surrendered to the board, is guilty of a felony and, upon  
8 conviction, shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned in a correctional facility for not less  
9 than one year nor more than five years, or both fined and imprisoned.

10 (c) Any person who holds himself or herself out as licensed to practice dentistry or dental  
11 hygiene in this State, or who uses any title, word, or abbreviation to indicate to or induce others  
12 to believe he or she is licensed to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in this State, and (1) has  
13 never been licensed by the board under this article, (2) holds a license that has been classified  
14 by the board as expired or lapsed, or (3) holds a license that has been inactive, revoked, or  
15 suspended as a result of disciplinary action, or surrendered to the board, is guilty of a  
16 misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or confined in jail not  
17 more than twelve months, or both fined and confined.

**§30-4-23. Single act evidence of practice.**

1 In any action brought under this article, or under §30-4A-1 *et seq.* or §30-4B-1 *et seq.* of  
2 this code evidence of the commission of a single act prohibited by said article is sufficient to justify



3 a penalty, injunction, restraining order or conviction without evidence of a general course of  
4 conduct.

**§30-4-24. Inapplicability of article.**

1 The provisions of this article do not apply to:

2 (1) A licensed physician or surgeon in the practice of his or her profession when rendering  
3 dental relief in emergency cases, unless he or she undertakes to reproduce or reproduces lost  
4 parts of the human teeth or to restore or replace lost or missing teeth in the human mouth;

5 (2) A dental laboratory in the performance of dental laboratory services, while the dental  
6 laboratory, in the performance of the work, conforms in all respects to the requirements of article  
7 four-b of this chapter, and further does not apply to persons performing dental laboratory services  
8 under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist;

9 (3) A student enrolled in an accredited D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree program or an accredited  
10 dental hygiene program practicing under the direct supervision of an instructor licensed by the  
11 board and (A) within a school, college, or university in this State; (B) in a dental clinic operated by  
12 a nonprofit organization providing indigent care; (C) in governmental or indigent care clinics in  
13 which the student is assigned to practice during his or her final academic year rotations; or (D) in  
14 a private dental office for a limited time during the student's final academic year: *Provided*, That  
15 the supervising dentist holds appointment on the faculty of the school in which the student is  
16 enrolled;

17 (4) An authorized dentist of another state temporarily operating a clinic under the auspices  
18 of an organized and reputable dental college or reputable dental society, or to one lecturing before  
19 a reputable society composed exclusively of dentists; or

20 (5) A dentist whose practice is confined exclusively to the service of the United States  
21 Army, the United States Navy, the United States Air Force, The United States Coast Guard, the  
22 United States Public Health Service, the United States Veteran's Bureau or any other authorized  
23 United States government agency or bureau.



The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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