

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 818 – *Public Health Dental Hygiene Act*.

This bill alters the authorization of a general license to practice dental hygiene to include the application of sealants or fluoride agents under general supervision in specified facilities. This bill also provides that a specified waiver is not required to practice dental hygiene under general supervision in accordance with specified provisions of law. Further, the bill increases the types of facilities a general license to practice dental hygiene authorizes a dental hygienist to practice in under general supervision.

House Bill 1280, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 818.

Sincerely,

Governor

**Senate Bill 818**

AN ACT concerning

**Public Health Dental Hygiene Act**

FOR the purpose of altering the authorization of a general license to practice dental hygiene to include the application of certain sealants or fluoride agents under certain supervision in certain facilities; providing that a certain waiver is not required to practice dental hygiene under certain supervision in accordance with certain provisions of law; increasing the types of facilities a general license to practice dental hygiene authorizes a dental hygienist to practice in under certain supervision; altering the requirements for certain facilities in which certain dental hygienists are authorized to practice under certain supervision; defining a certain ~~term~~ terms; and generally relating to the practice of dental hygiene.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
Article – Health Occupations  
Section 4-101(k) and (l)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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