

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 24, 1973.

CHAPTER 654

(Senate Bill 144)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 26(a) of Article 32 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume) title "Dentistry," subtitle "Dental Hygienists," to increase the number of intra-oral functions that a Dental Hygienist may perform, and to authorize the Board to make certain other increases in those functions.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 26(a) of Article 32 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume), title "Dentistry," subtitle "Dental Hygienists" be, and it is hereby, repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

26.

(a) The practice of dental hygiene is defined for the purpose of this subtitle [as the removal of deposits, accretions and stains from the surfaces of the teeth and restorations and may include] TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: PERFORMING A PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION; A COMPLETE PROPHYLAXIS INCLUDING THE REMOVAL OF DEPOSITS, ACCRETIONS, AND STAINS FROM THE SURFACES OF THE TEETH AND RESTORATIONS; the polishing of the same [and]; the charting of cavities during such [operations,] FUNCTIONS; the taking of dental [[x-rays]] X-RAYS; and the application of medicinal agents to the tooth for prophylactic purposes. THE BOARD, BY WRITTEN RULE OR REGULATION, MAY PROVIDE THAT OTHER INTRA-ORAL FUNCTIONS EXCEPT DIAGNOSIS, EXTRACTION, CAVITY REPAIR, TOOTH PLACEMENT CORRECTION, AND SURGICAL OR ANESTHESIA PROCEDURES, BE ADDED TO THE DEFINITION OF THE PRACTICE OF DENTAL HYGIENE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 24, 1973.

CHAPTER 655

(Senate Bill 150)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section [[42A(a)] 40 of Article 59 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Supplement), title "Mental Hygiene," subtitle "Financing of Mental Health Services," [to change the provisions relating to individuals whose maintenance in certain facilities must be provided, and to include facilities other than State institutions in the provisions of