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(Assented to , 1978)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. In this Act,

- (a) “dental health worker” means a dental nurse, dental hygienist, dental technician, or a dental assistant who is trained and qualified to perform such dental services as are prescribed by the regulations and is duly registered in accordance with this Act;
- (b) “Minister” means the member of the Executive Council to whom the administration of this Act is assigned.

2. The Minister may make such arrangements as he considers necessary to provide for the education and training of dental health workers, either through a commission or a department of Government or in conjunction with a university or other educational institution in the Province.

3. (1) The Minister shall cause to be kept and maintained a register in which shall be entered the names and addresses and date of registration of every duly qualified dental health worker who has applied for and been granted registration and has paid the fee, if any, prescribed by the regulations.

(2) Upon completion of registration under subsection (1), the Minister or a person acting under his authority shall issue a certificate of registration to the dental health worker.

(3) A person who, on or after the commencement of this Act, is in the opinion of the Minister, duly qualified as a dental health worker shall, upon payment of the prescribed fee, if any, be registered under this section.

(4) The Minister may delegate his functions and duties under this section to a board appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Explanatory Notes

1. Definitions.

2. Provides for education and training of dental health workers.

3. Registration of dental health workers.

4. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act according to their intent, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make such regulations as are ancillary to it and are not inconsistent with it and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, the Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations

- (a) prescribing fees payable on registration under section 3;
- (b) prescribing what services constitute dental services;
- (c) prescribing those dental services that may be carried out by a dental health worker without the supervision of a duly qualified dentist;
- (d) prescribing those dental services that shall not be carried out by a dental health worker except under the supervision and control of a duly qualified dentist or duly qualified medical practitioner;
- (e) presenting the qualifications required for registration under section 3 and the grounds on which registration may be revoked, suspended or revived;
- (f) prescribing the period of time during which a certificate of registration is valid and providing for the renewal thereof;
- (g) appointing persons as inspectors under this Act and prescribing their powers and duties for the purpose of determining the quality of dental services being rendered by dental health workers;
- (h) appointing a board for the purpose of this Act and prescribing its powers and duties; and
- (i) respecting such other matters as he deems necessary for carrying out the purposes and objects of this Act.

5. This Act comes into force on a date to be fixed by Proclamation which shall not be earlier than the date upon which the Legislature appropriates money to the purposes contained herein.

4. Regulations.