

**PUBLIC ACTS, 1999**  
**CHAPTER NO. 405**  
**SENATE BILL NO. 1376**

**By Person**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1614

By McMillan, Sherry Jones

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to the practice of dentistry.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-108(c), is amended by deleting the language "Any duly licensed and registered dentist may assign to duly licensed and registered dental hygienists and/or registered dental assistants," and by substituting instead the language "Any duly licensed and registered dentist may assign to duly licensed and registered dental hygienists, registered dental assistants and/or practical dental assistants,".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-108(c), is further amended by deleting the third sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

For eligibility to perform polishing, passage of a clinical and didactic examination administered by the board is required.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-115(a), is amended by:

(1) deleting the language "and/or registered dental assistants" and by substituting instead the language ", registered dental assistants and/or practical dental assistants" in the first sentence;

(2) inserting the language "and/or practical" in the third sentence between the words "Such registered" and the words "dental assistants"; and

(3) deleting the language "or registered dental assistants" in the last sentence and by substituting instead the language ", registered dental assistants or practical dental assistants".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-5-116(a), is amended by deleting the language "or registered dental assistant" and by substituting instead the language ", registered dental assistants and/or practical dental assistant".

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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**PASSED: May 24, 1999**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this            day of            1999**

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DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR

Pursuant to Article III, Section 18, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, the Governor had Senate Bill No. 1376 in his possession longer than ten (10) days, so therefore the bill becomes law without the Governor's signature.