Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: S2/20/03 H3/18/03		
2	84th General Assembly A B1II Ac		Act 661 of 2003	
3	Regular Session, 2003 SENATE BILL		SENATE BILL 258	
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5	By: Senator Bisbee			
6	By: Representative Roebuck			
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9	For An Act To Be Entitled			
10	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PILOT PROGRAM FOR LICENSURE			
11	OF FOREIGN-TRAINED DENTISTS IMMIGRATING TO THIS			
12	STATE; A	AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
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14	Subtitle			
15	AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PILOT PROGRAM FOR			
16	LICENSURE OF FOREIGN-TRAINED DENTISTS			
17	IMMIC	GRATING TO THIS STATE.		
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20	BE IT ENACTED BY THE G	ENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF	AKKANSAS:	
21 22	SECTION 1 Arts	$r_{2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}$	proving the licensing	
22	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-82-304(b), concerning the licensing procedure for dentists, is amended to read as follows:			
24	(b) An applicant must:			
25	(b) An applicant must: (1)(<u>A)</u> Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and of good			
26	moral reputation and character;			
27	$\frac{(2)}{(B)}$ Submit upon request such proof as the board may			
28		require touching upon age, character, and fitness; and		
29	(3)(C) Have been graduated from an American Dental			
30	Association-accredited college of dentistry with the degree of Doctor of			
31	Dental Surgery or Doctor of Dental Medicine . ; or			
32	(2)(A) Be at least twenty-one (21) years of age and of good			
33	moral reputation and character;			
34	<u>(B)</u>			
35	America with the degre	America with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery, Doctor of Dental		
36	Medicine, or an equivalent degree approved by the board;			



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1	(C) Have passed an examination approved by the board and		
2	authorized under § 17-82-303;		
3	(D) Be a resident of the State of Arkansas and the United		
4	States and be in compliance with federal laws of immigration; and		
5	(E) Serve a period of at least one (1) year under a		
6	provisional license issued by the board to foreign graduates and successfully		
7	complete the monitoring requirements as ordered by the board at the time the		
8	provisional license is issued.		
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10	SECTION 2. This pilot program of licensure for foreign-trained		
11	graduates and the granting of licensure to foreign-trained dentists will		
12	expire at the close of the 2005 regular session of the Arkansas General		
13	Assembly.		
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15	SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the		
16	<u>General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that a need exists to examine the</u>		
17	impact and quality of services to be performed by foreign-trained dentists		
18	immigrating to Arkansas. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and		
19	this act being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public		
20	peace, health, and safety shall become effective on:		
21	(1) The date of its approval by the Governor;		
22	(2) If the bill is neither approved nor vetoed by the Governor,		
23	the expiration of the period of time during which the Governor may veto the		
24	<u>bill; or</u>		
25	(3) If the bill is vetoed by the Governor and the veto is		
26	overridden, the date the last house overrides the veto.		
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28	/s/ Bisbee		
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