

State of Arkansas

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A Bill

SENATE BILL

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By: Senator Bookout

For An Act To Be Entitled

"AN ACT TO AMEND ARK. CODE ANN. §17-82-104(a) TO AUTHORIZE
THE PRACTICE OF DENTISTRY UNDER A CORPORATE NAME OR A
FICTITIOUS NAME; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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

SECTION 1. Ark. Code Ann. §17-82-104(a) is amended to read as follows:

"(a) It is unlawful for a dentist or dental hygienist to:

(1) Practice in the State of Arkansas under any name other than his own true name except a dentist may practice under a corporate name that complies with the Dental Corporation Act, Arkansas Code §4-29-401 et. seq.; or a dentist or a dental corporation may practice under a fictitious name if the name has been registered with and approved by the Arkansas State Board of Dental Examiners. Said fictitious name must comply with the rules and regulations of the board and must not be false or misleading to the general public.

(2) Aid or assist in any manner any unlicensed person to practice dentistry or dental hygiene or any branch thereof."

SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. It is hereby found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that existing laws regulating the practice of dentistry provide that one cannot practice under a corporate or fictitious

name; that the provisions to permit the practice of dentistry under a corporate or fictitious name is necessary to insure the proper enforcement of the provisions governing the practice of dentistry in the State of Arkansas; that there is an emergency need for such a provision and that an enactment of the measure will remedy this situation. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.