

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  
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3 Regular Session, 2005

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2640

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5 By: Representative Stovall  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EXEMPTION FROM ARKANSAS  
10 LICENSURE FOR DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS  
11 LICENSED IN ANOTHER STATE WHO PROVIDE DENTAL CARE  
12 SERVICES TO INDIGENT PERSONS; AND FOR OTHER  
13 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

15 AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN EXEMPTION FROM  
16 ARKANSAS LICENSURE FOR DENTISTS AND  
17 DENTAL HYGIENISTS LICENSED IN ANOTHER  
18 STATE WHO PROVIDE DENTAL CARE SERVICES  
19 TO INDIGENT PERSONS.  
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23 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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25 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-82-302, pertaining to exemptions from  
26 licensure requirements for dentists and dental hygienists, is amended to add  
27 an additional subdivision to read as follows:

28 (7)(A) The practice of dentistry or dental hygiene by a dentist  
29 or dental hygienist who is providing services to indigent persons at a free,  
30 low-cost, or nonprofit dental clinic located in the State of Arkansas,  
31 provided that the dentist or dental hygienist has obtained a license to  
32 practice from Arkansas or any other state, territory, the District of  
33 Columbia, or Canada.

34 (B) Unless the dentist or dental hygienist holds a license  
35 to practice from Arkansas, a dentist or dental hygienist authorized to  
36 practice under subdivision (7)(A) of this section may provide dental



1 treatment or services only to indigent persons at a free, low-cost, or  
2 nonprofit dental clinic and shall not provide dental treatment or services to  
3 any other person.

4 (C) The board may adopt rules that it determines necessary  
5 to provide for the oversight of dentists and dental hygienists who provide  
6 services to indigent persons at free, low-cost, or nonprofit dental clinics  
7 located in the State of Arkansas.

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