

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 535

BY REPRESENTATIVE GLOVER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

DENTISTRY: Allows nonprofit entities the ability to perform dental services at mobile dental clinics

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:796(B)(1) and 796.1(A)(1) and (C), relative to mobile dental
3 clinics; to provide for dental services at mobile dental clinics; to allow nonprofit
4 entities to provide dental services at mobile dental clinics; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:796(B)(1) and 796.1(A)(1) and (C) are hereby amended and
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 §796. Louisiana State Board of Dentistry; adoption of rules relating to the
10 providing of dental services at mobile dental clinics and locations other than
11 the dental office

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13 B. The rules shall include but not be limited to:

14 (1) Guidelines and criteria for the permitting of dentists and nonprofit
15 entities as described in R.S. 37:797 who wish to provide dental services at mobile
16 dental clinics and locations other than their office.

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18 §796.1. Requirements to provide dental services at mobile dental clinics and
19 locations other than the dental office; permit; hold harmless

1 A. Upon promulgation of rules pursuant to this Section and R.S. 37:796, a
2 person offering dental services at a mobile dental clinic or a location other than the
3 dental office shall:

4 (1) Be a dentist licensed in Louisiana who is in good standing with the
5 Louisiana State Board of Dentistry or be a nonprofit entity as described in R.S.
6 37:797.

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8 C. Upon promulgation of rules pursuant to this Section and R.S. 37:796, no
9 dental services shall be offered at a mobile clinic or a location other than the dental
10 office unless the dentist or nonprofit entity has been issued a permit to provide those
11 services as provided for by this Section.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Permits nonprofit entities to perform dental services at mobile dental clinics.

Present law provides that the La. State Board of Dentistry shall adopt rules relating to the provision of dental services at mobile dental clinics and locations other than the dental office.

Proposed law changes present law by further adding nonprofit entities.

Present law provides that dentists are permitted to perform dental services at mobile dental clinics and locations other than their dental office.

Proposed law changes present law to provide that nonprofit entities, as described by present law, are permitted to perform dental services at mobile dental clinics or locations other than their office.

Present law provides that a dentist shall be in good standing with the La. State Board of Dentistry.

Proposed law changes present law to provide that a nonprofit entity shall also be permitted to provide mobile dental clinic services.

Present law provides that upon promulgation of rules, no dentist shall perform dental services at a mobile clinic unless the dentist has received a permit according to present law.

Proposed law changes present law to include that a nonprofit entity shall not perform dental services at a mobile clinic unless the entity has received a permit according to present law.

(Amends R.S. 37:796(B)(1) and 796.1(A)(1) and (C))