## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Allows persons with valid and current legal authority to reside and work in the U.S. to apply for a dental license.

<u>Present law</u> requires an applicant for a dental license to be either a citizen or a permanent resident of the U.S., unless otherwise prohibited by the North American Free Trade Agreement.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the requirement to be a permanent resident <u>to</u> a requirement to possess valid and current legal authority to reside and work in the U.S. duly issued by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services or its successor.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 37:761(A)(l))