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House Bill 5924 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Michael J. Griffin
House Committee: Health Policy
Senate Committee: Health Policy and Senior Citizens

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to add two dentists with a specialty certification to the Michigan Board of Dentistry. Currently, the 13-member board consists of seven dentists, two dental hygienists, two dental assistants, and two public members. The bill would add two dentists who had been issued a health profession specialty certification under Section 16608 of the Code (described below). In addition, of the seven other dentists, one or more could have a specialty certification. A dentist who was a member of the board as of the bill's effective date could serve out his or her term.

Currently, at least 10 board members must concur in board meeting dates and times. The bill would increase that number to 18.

(Under Section 16608, the board may issue a health profession specialty certification to a licensed dentist who has advanced training beyond that required for initial licensure and who has demonstrated competency through examination or other evaluative processes in one or more of the following specialty fields: prosthodontics, endodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, orthodontics, pediatric dentistry, periodontics, or oral pathology.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

According to the Department of Consumer and Industry Services, the Board of Dentistry meets about four to six times each year, so the total cost of per diem payments for two additional members could be \$400 to \$600 annually.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on local government.

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