

SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4718

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 16626.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 16626. (1) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (2), AND NOTWITHSTANDING
2 SECTION 16601(1)(F) OR THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER SECTION
3 16625(1), A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY UTILIZE A DENTAL ASSISTANT TO ACT
4 AS HIS OR HER SECOND PAIR OF HANDS.

5 (2) NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 16601(1)(E) OR THE RULES
6 PROMULGATED UNDER SECTION 16625(1), A DENTAL ASSISTANT MAY FUNCTION
7 AS A SECOND PAIR OF HANDS FOR A DENTIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST IF ALL
8 OF THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:

9 (A) THE DENTIST OR DENTAL HYGIENIST IS ACTIVELY PERFORMING
10 SERVICES IN THE MOUTH OF A PATIENT AT THE TIME THE DENTAL ASSISTANT

1 IS ASSISTING HIM OR HER.

2 (B) IF THE DENTAL ASSISTANT IS ASSISTING A DENTAL HYGIENIST, A
3 SUPERVISING DENTIST HAS ASSIGNED THE DENTAL ASSISTANT TO ACT AS THE
4 DENTAL HYGIENIST'S SECOND PAIR OF HANDS.

5 (3) THIS SECTION DOES NOT REQUIRE NEW OR ADDITIONAL THIRD
6 PARTY REIMBURSEMENT OR MANDATED WORKER'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR
7 SERVICES RENDERED BY AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED AS A DENTAL ASSISTANT
8 OR AS A DENTAL HYGIENIST UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

9 (4) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "SECOND PAIR OF HANDS" MEANS THAT
10 TERM AS DEFINED IN R 338.11101 OF THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.