FISCAL IMPACT: ☒ State ☐ Local ☐ Statutory Public Entity ☐ Conditional ☐ No Fiscal Impact

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BILL TOPIC: DENTAL PRACTICE ACT & DENTAL HYGIENE

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Summary of Legislation

The bill makes several clarifications concerning the practice of dental hygiene. First, it clarifies that the Colorado Dental Board may make rules for the use of lasers for dental and dental hygiene purposes within the defined scopes of practice and with appropriate supervision. Second, it clarifies several aspects of what constitutes unsupervised dental hygiene, including administering emergency drugs and reversal agents in collaboration with a dentist.

State Expenditures

The bill may result in a minimal one-time increase in workload in the Department of Regulatory Agencies for the Colorado Dental Board to update rules and outreach materials concerning the practice of dental hygiene as clarified by the bill. Any workload increase is assumed to be minimal and will be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill was signed by the Governor on March 1, 2017, and takes effect August 9, 2017, assuming no referendum petition is filed.
State and Local Government Contacts

Corrections
Human Services
Law

Health Care Policy and Financing
Information Technology
Regulatory Agencies

The revenue and expenditure impacts in this fiscal note represent changes from current law under the bill for each fiscal year. For additional information about fiscal notes, please visit: www.leg.colorado.gov/fiscalnotes.