

SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 1696

Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics
by Senator Baker

Changes the composition of the Board of Orthotists and Prosthetists. Defines "resident" as a person registered to practice orthotics or prosthetics under the supervision of a licensed orthotist or prosthetist and provides for registration for such person to practice orthotics or prosthetics. Revises provisions relating to licensure, examination, and biennial renewal of licenses. Removes a provision relating to temporary licenses. Revises duties that can be delegated to unlicensed support personnel.

Requires licensees and registrants to post licenses, registrations, recent photographs, and certain notices in a facility where patients are seen and to wear specified identification tags or badges. Provides grounds for denial of a registration or license, or for disciplinary action. Revises requirements regarding use of titles to include licensed or registered orthotist, prosthetist, prosthetist-orthotist, orthotic fitter, orthotic fitter assistant, pedorthist, prosthetic resident, and orthotic resident. (See bill for details)