

CHAPTER 163**(HB 571)**

AN ACT relating to the Board of Dentistry.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

Section 1. KRS 313.130 is amended to read as follows:

The board may *issue a private admonishment*, reprimand, or place on probation, or may revoke, suspend, refuse to renew, or refuse to issue a license to any dentist for any of the following causes:

- (1) Conviction of any felony or conviction of only those misdemeanors involving moral turpitude, in which case the record of conviction or a copy thereof, certified by the clerk of the court or by the judge in whose court the conviction is had, shall be conclusive evidence.
- (2) Renting or lending to any person his license or diploma to be used as a license or diploma, or illegally or fraudulently obtaining a license from the board.
- (3) Unprofessional conduct, gross ignorance, or inefficiency in his profession or failure to accumulate a sufficient number of points for continuing dental education as prescribed by the board under the provisions of KRS 313.080.
- (4) Violating any of the provisions of this chapter or any lawful order, rule, or regulation made or issued under the provisions of this chapter.
- (5) Addiction to a drug habit.
- (6) Chronic or persistent alcoholism.
- (7) Such physical or mental disability, or other condition, that continued practice would be dangerous to patients or to the public.

A private admonishment shall not be subject to disclosure to the public under KRS 61.878(1)(l). A private admonishment shall not constitute disciplinary action but may be used by the board for statistical purposes or in subsequent disciplinary action against the same licensee, certificate holder, or applicant.

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