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## Synopsis of House Committee Amendments

(This synopsis does not address amendments that may have been adopted on the House Floor.)

### S.B. 40 of the 135<sup>th</sup> General Assembly

#### House Health Provider Services

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#### **Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact**

Adds a provision to the As Passed by the Senate version that requires the State Dental Board to issue a report assessing the impact of Ohio's entry into the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact.

Requires the report to be issued five years after entering the Compact, to include the number of dentists and dental hygienists practicing in Ohio under a Compact privilege, and to address any discernible impact on dental practice in the state resulting from the Compact.

Also requires the Board to make the report available on its website and to submit copies to the Senate President, Speaker of the House, and chairpersons of the standing committees primarily responsible for considering health issues.

#### **Insurance coverage of dental care services**

Adds to the As Passed by the Senate version provisions regarding insurance coverage for dental care services, including those that do all of the following:

- Require health plan issuers to notify covered persons that they may incur out-of-pocket expenses for dental care services that are not covered services;
- Prohibit a contracting entity from requiring a dental care provider to accept a payment amount set by the contracting entity for dental care services unless those services are covered services;
- Make a violation of the above provisions an unfair and deceptive act in the business of insurance;
- Require dental care providers to disclose pricing and certain other information for dental care services that are not covered services;
- Subject providers who violate the bill's disclosure requirements to professional discipline.