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## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 332, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to distant dental hygienist learning programs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 332, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 332.312, to read as follows:

332.312. 1. As used in this section, "distant dental hygienist learning program" shall mean a training program for dental hygienists that allows course work to be completed offsite of the educational institution and clinical and didactic training to be delivered in a dental office licensed under this chapter, or any other facility approved by the council on dental accreditation.

2. The department of economic development may contract with an institution of higher education to establish a distant dental hygienist learning program, which meets the standards established by the council on dental accreditation.