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Please support the HB56 compact. I have been a Dental Hygienist since 1993 and it would be wonderful to be able to travel with our skills.



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WITNESS NAME: CHRISTINA DELGADO		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I oppose hb1290 and I am in favor of hb56



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WITNESS NAME: ERIC BURTON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Professional Registration and Licensing Committee: I am a General Dentist who has been practicing for over 20 years. I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental hygiene to take in order to be a part of the the interstate dentist/dental hygienist compact. I feel that the CRDTS exam should also be acceptable as a chosen exam. Allowing for both exams gives new dental hygienists to ability to work in another "compact state" if they so choose. HB1290 is supposed to help with portability, but in actuality, it limits portability if ONLY the ADEX exam is allowed. Therefore, please vote in favor of HB 56 that allows for other options and is written by experts who understand healthcare compacts and against HB1290, which is limiting. Best Regards, Eric Burton, DDS



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WITNESS NAME: GARY HARBISON		PHONE NUMBER: 573-418-2060	
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The Missouri Coalition for Oral Health is opposed to this legislation because it follows a restrictive model for a compact.



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WITNESS NAME: HEATHER BURTON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Professional Registration and Licensing Committee:I am a dental hygienist who has been practicing for 21 years. I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental hygiene to take in order to be a part of the the interstate dentist/dental hygienist compact. I feel that the CRDTS exam should also be acceptable as a chosen exam. Allowing for both exams gives new dental hygienists to ability to work in another "compact state" if they so choose. HB1290 is supposed to help with portability, but in actuality, it limits portability if **ONLY** the ADEX exam is allowed. Therefore, please vote in favor of HB 56 that allows for other options and is written by experts who understand healthcare compacts and against HB1290, which is limiting. Thank you.Heather Burton, RDH,BA1916 Devonshire Dr. Columbia MO 65203573-999-9711



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WITNESS NAME: KAMMI LYNNE GROSSE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental I have been a full time dental hygienist for 41 years and value my education and testing to be who and what I am. This is an insult to my profession. Kammi L Grosse RDH1004 N 22ND AVE OZARK, MO 65721



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WITNESS NAME: LISA ESCHBACHER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am against HB1290 as allowing only the ADEX exam would be very limiting in who could participate in the compact. It is not an exam that the dental and dental hygiene programs use in. MO, they have to take that particular exam elsewhere. It is by nature defeating the entire purpose of a compact. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: MARIKA MAGER, RDH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I oppose HB 1290 but I support HB 56 which would allow for both exams as potential pathways to dental hygiene licensure called a"compact provide in another state. Ten states have already adopted the HB 56 compact; none have adopted the HB 1290 alternate compact.



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WITNESS NAME: MELISSA POTTER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental.16 years as a Dental Hygienist, Melissa Potter



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WITNESS NAME: NICOLE SPIRE		PHONE NUMBER:	
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It limits it to new grads when we are the ones who are already in the field and experienced. It makes no sense.



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I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental. I am an RDH with 11 years of dental hygiene experience.



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WITNESS NAME: RICHAEL L COBLER		PHONE NUMBER: 785-273-0380	
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EMAIL: richael68@gmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written	SUBMIT DATE: 2/25/2025 2:20 PM	
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Honorable Chair and Honorable Members of the Committee: My name is Richael Cobler, and I am the Executive Director of Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. (CRDTS), a dental and dental hygiene testing agency which develops and administers clinical licensure examinations as a pathway toward licensure across the nation. My organization and I are opposed to HB 1290. As a national testing agency that has provided excellence in testing for more than 50 years, CRDTS typically works with the state dental boards regarding examination rules and requirements. However, because HB 1290 would create a monopoly by eliminating the CRDTS exams, we feel it necessary to bring some information to you regarding our concerns. It is disconcerting that legislators are entertaining a compact bill that names a specific clinical licensure examination as the only pathway toward compact licensure when nearly every state in the nation accepts other exams and/or pathways. CRDTS submitted a letter in the fall of 2024 to the American Association of Dental Board's (AADB) board of directors, officially requesting they reconsider the language in the compact prior to this legislative session and add CRDTS as an acceptable exam along with the ADEX exam. The response received was that the AADB would not change the language as it was an intentional decision to only accept the ADEX exam. We believe this decision by the AADB to accept only one exam as an arbitrary and capricious decision and a violation of anti-trust laws that is being pushed by a small group of people wanting to create a monopoly. The AADB being introduced as HB 1290 will not promote portability or increase access to dental health care as it claims. By restricting acceptable licensure examinations to a single exam (House Bill NO. 1290, 103rd General Assembly; Lines 92-94 & Lines 113-116) it will actually impede portability. CRDTS administers more than 800 exams in Missouri and surrounding states annually. If portability and increased access to care was the goal of this compact, the CRDTS exams would be included as acceptable examinations within the compact language. One must ask, why a national association whose mission is to "assist dental regulatory boards with their obligation to protect the public" (aadbdentalboards.org/Home/Welcome; accessed 2/19/2025) would align itself with one specific test administered exclusively by one testing agency (ADEX/CWC)? Not only is the AADB promoting a compact that requires the CWC/ADEX exam, but the CWC and the AADB currently share staff who are paid through CWC. The AADB's current Executive Director also works for the CWC (exclusive ADEX partner) as the Director of License Acceptance and Portability. Additionally, the Immediate Past President of the AADB publicly recognized the CWC (exclusive ADEX partner) for a "large donation that enabled the AADB to host the annual meeting in Hollywood, CA." It would appear there is some conflict of interest between the AADB, and CWC/ADEX. Besides the conflict of interest, the AADB's justification that they chose ADEX because it is more widely accepted is irrelevant and unjust as CRDTS is a nationally accepted exam and there are currently other acceptable pathways. Additionally, by its own admission, the AADB did not compare the quality or validity of the exams or

consult any other testing agency when drafting the compact. CRDTS has been developing and administering clinical licensure examinations far longer than ADEX has been in existence. CRDTS was incorporated in Kansas in 1974 and ADEX was Incorporated (also in Kansas) in 2005. Furthermore, CRDTS leadership and examiners were very involved in the writing of the ADEX examination. In fact, the first ADEX examination was administered by CRDTS in Hawaii in 2005 ([adexexams.org/FAQ/When and How was ADEX created?](http://adexexams.org/FAQ/When_and_How_was_ADEX_created?); accessed 2/17/2025) Taking the choice away from dental and dental hygiene schools and programs by requiring a certain licensure examination is an arbitrary and capricious decision and we hope the committee will view it as unacceptable and defeat HB 1290. Sincerely, Richael "Sheli" Cobler
Executive Director
Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc.
1725 SW Gage Blvd.



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Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Professional Registration and Licensing Committee: I am a dental hygienist who has been practicing for over 23 years. I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow dental hygienists who have completed a CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam upon graduation to be a part of the interstate dentist/dental hygienist compact. Some schools with dental hygiene programs choose to go with the other option that is available and that is the CRDTS exam. Please note that 4 out of 6 dental hygiene programs in Missouri use CRDTS as opposed to ADEX exam. I feel that the CRDTS exam should also be acceptable as a chosen exam. Allowing both exams gives new dental hygienists the ability to work in another "compact state" if they so choose. HB1290 is supposed to help with portability, but it limits portability if ONLY the ADEX exam is allowed. Therefore, I urge you to please vote in favor of HB 56 that allows for other options and is written by experts who understand healthcare compacts, and please vote against HB1290, which is limiting and non-inclusive. Please contact me if you have questions. Thank you. Romana Muller, RDH, EdD2092 Saline Road, Fenton, MO 63026 Cell 314.740.0928 romanardh@gmail.com



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WITNESS NAME: SUSAN E BEAR		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As a Registered Dental Hygienist practicing in the state of Missouri for the last 20 years, I want you to know that I oppose HB1290 in favor of HB56. HB1290 has the potential to create a monopoly for one of the eligible testing agencies and in contrast, HB56 allowed for many stakeholders to give input to create a better dentist/dental hygienist compact. Thank you for your consideration. Susan Bear, BS, RDH



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Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the House Professional Registration and Licensing Committee: I am a dental hygienist who has been practicing 18 years. I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental hygiene to take in order to be a part of the the interstate dentist/dental hygienist compact. I feel that the CRDTS exam should also be acceptable as a chosen exam. Allowing for both exams gives new dental hygienists to ability to work in another "compact state" if they so choose. HB1290 is supposed to help with portability, but in actuality, it limits portability if ONLY the ADEX exam is allowed. Therefore, please vote in favor of HB 56 that allows for other options and is written by experts who understand healthcare compacts and against HB1290, which is limiting. Thank you, Teddy A. Booker MPH, RDH, CDA6006 N Gregory Dr., Columbia, MO 65202Cell (573) 308-2274



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I am writing in opposition of HB1290, the American Association of Dental Board's bill that will only allow for the CDCA-WREB-CITA ADEX exam for new graduates in dental. I am an RDH with 7 years of experience.