

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ACTS AMENDMENT (DENTAL PROSTHETICS STUDENTS) ACT

No. 4 of 1989

AN ACT to amend the *Dental Act 1939* and the *Dental
Prosthetists Act 1985*.

[Assented to 20 April 1989.]

The Parliament of Western Australia enacts as follows:

PART 1—PRELIMINARY

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the *Acts Amendment (Dental Prosthetics Students) Act 1989*.

Commencement

2. This Act shall come into operation on the day on which it receives the Royal Assent.

PART 2—*DENTAL ACT 1939*

Section 55 amended

3. Section 55 of the *Dental Act 1939** is amended in subsection (1) by deleting paragraph (d) and substituting the following paragraph—

- “ (d) authorize or permit or suffer any person who is not a—
- (i) dental attendant;
 - (ii) dental prosthetics student acting under the direction of a dentist as a requirement for obtaining a qualification prescribed for the purposes of section 18(1) (b) of the *Dental Prosthetists Act 1985*;
 - (iii) dental therapist;
 - (iv) dentist;
 - (v) medical practitioner; or
 - (vi) registered nurse,

to assist or take part in any act of dentistry or in any operation on the mouth or in any other dental operation or service; ”.

[*Reprinted as approved 11 January 1979 and amended by Acts Nos. 19 of 1979, 94 of 1980, 63 of 1981, 28 of 1984 and 77 of 1987.]

PART 3—*DENTAL PROSTHETISTS ACT 1985*

Section 4 amended

4. Section 4 of the *Dental Prosthetists Act 1985** is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) by deleting “Nothing” and substituting the following—

“ Subject to subsection (2) (b), nothing ”; and

- (b) by repealing subsection (2) and substituting the following subsection—

“ (2) Nothing in the *Dental Act 1939* applies to or in relation to the practice of dental prosthetics by—

- (a) a dental prosthetist to the extent that the dental prosthetist is authorized by a licence to engage in the practice of dental prosthetics; or

- (b) subject to section 55 (1) (d) of the *Dental Act 1939*, a dental prosthetics student as a requirement for obtaining a qualification prescribed for the purposes of section 18(1) (b) of this Act to the extent that the student—
 - (i) is acting under the direction of a dental prosthetist or a dentist; and
 - (ii) engages in the practice of dental prosthetics that the dental prosthetist directing the student is authorized by a licence to engage in or, in the case of a dentist directing the student, that the dentist may lawfully engage in. ”.

[*Act No. 16 of 1985.]
