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**HB17-1010**

**FINAL  
FISCAL NOTE**

**FISCAL IMPACT:**  State  Local  Statutory Public Entity  Conditional  No Fiscal Impact

**Drafting Number:** LLS 17-0495  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Ginal  
Sen. Crowder

**Date:** May 31, 2017  
**Bill Status:** Signed into Law  
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**BILL TOPIC:** DENTAL PRACTICE ACT & DENTAL HYGIENE

| Fiscal Impact Summary                | FY 2017-2018               | FY 2018-2019 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| State Revenue                        |                            |              |
| State Expenditures                   | Minimal workload increase. |              |
| <b>Appropriation Required:</b> None. |                            |              |
| <b>Future Year Impacts:</b> None.    |                            |              |

**Summary of Legislation**

The bill makes several clarifications concerning the practice of dental hygiene. First, it clarifies that the Colorado Dental Board may make rules for the use of lasers for dental and dental hygiene purposes within the defined scopes of practice and with appropriate supervision. Second, it clarifies several aspects of what constitutes unsupervised dental hygiene, including administering emergency drugs and reversal agents in collaboration with a dentist.

**State Expenditures**

The bill may result in a minimal one-time increase in workload in the Department of Regulatory Agencies for the Colorado Dental Board to update rules and outreach materials concerning the practice of dental hygiene as clarified by the bill. Any workload increase is assumed to be minimal and will be accomplished within existing appropriations.

**Effective Date**

The bill was signed by the Governor on March 1, 2017, and takes effect August 9, 2017, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

**State and Local Government Contacts**

Corrections  
Human Services  
Law

Health Care Policy and Financing  
Information Technology  
Regulatory Agencies