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Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, in order to ensure a smooth transition for patients, staff and family members of a dentist practicing dentistry who becomes disabled or dies and to avoid the interruption of patient care and complete cessation of a dental practice, certain changes in law must be put into effect as soon as possible; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by adding at the end before the summary the following:

'**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

SUMMARY

This amendment adds an emergency preamble and an emergency clause to the bill.