Memorandum to: N. C. Joint Legislative Commission on

Governmental Operations

From: N.C. State Board of Dental Examiners

Carolin Bakewell, Counsel

Date: December 28, 2007

Re: Request for Consultation

Please accept this Memorandum as the N.C. Dental Board's request pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. § 12-3.1 for a consultation regarding a fee increase proposed by the Dental Board.

Specifically, the Board proposes that the \$50 fee currently charged to dentists seeking a permit to administer general anesthesia would be increased to \$100. 21 NCAC 16Q .0201. The fee is authorized by N.C. Gen. Stat. §§ 90-28, 90-39(11) and 90-48.

The increase in fees is sought to help defray the expense incurred by the Dental Board in conducting on-site inspections that are required before a practitioner may obtain a permit to administer general anesthesia. See 21 NCAC 16Q .0202, and .0204. The fees will also help defray the Board's expense in processing applications for permits and maintenance of its records relating to general anesthesia permits.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.