

1 **Resolution Number:** 301-2024

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3 **Title:** Licensing Fees in Cost of Attendance

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5 **Reference Committee Assignment:** Licensure and Education

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7 **Sponsor(s):** 2023-24 Governance Committee

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9 **Financial Impact:** None

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11 **Board of Trustees Comments:** The Board recommends a yes vote.

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13 **Reference Committee Comments:** The Reference Committee recognizes that there was verbal
14 testimony in favor of the resolution. The Reference Committee recommends a yes vote and to be placed
15 on the Consent Calendar.

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17 **Background:** Every dental school is required to calculate and report a cost of attendance to attend the
18 school. This information is used to determine how much money students are eligible for in both federal
19 and private student loans. Cost of attendance includes, but is not limited to, tuition and fees, books,
20 supplies, living expenses, etc. The higher the cost of attendance, the more money in student loans
21 applicants may be eligible for. Currently, some dental schools include the costs associated with
22 obtaining initial dental licensure in their cost of attendance calculations, but other schools do not. These
23 costs can range from hundreds to thousands of dollars. By encouraging all dental schools to include the
24 cost of initial dental licensure in their cost of attendance calculations, students will have a more
25 complete understanding of expected costs to attend the school and will receive appropriate student
26 loan eligibility evaluations. Therefore, be it

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RESOLUTION

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32 **Resolved,** that the American Student Dental Association encourages all U.S. CODA-accredited dental
33 schools to include the cost of obtaining initial dental licensure in their cost of attendance as defined by
34 the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This could include, but is not limited to, the cost of
35 relevant clinical exams and the Integrated National Board Dental Examination (INBDE).

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37 **Action:** The Chair moves resolution 301-2024 with a recommendation of a yes vote and to be
38 placed on the Consent Calendar.

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