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I strongly oppose this bill. It would be detrimental to equine safety and health to permit an unlicensed individual perform equine dentistry. To perform equine dentistry requires veterinary expertise and knowledge to perform it safely. An industry that is required to complete continuing education and is regulated for competence and safety of the animals. There is a lot more to equine dentistry than just dentistry. I believe you would be opening the door to irreparable harm to equines by allowing unlicensed, non-veterinarian individuals to perform dentistry. This sets a VERY dangerous precedence.