CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2689

Chapter 259, Laws of 1996
(partial veto)

54th Legislature
1996 Regular Session

ORAL AND MAXILLOFACIAL SURGERY

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/6/96

Passed by the House March 4, 1996
Yeas 94  Nays 0

CLYDE BALLARD
Speaker of the
House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 1, 1996
Yeas 45  Nays 0

JOEL PRITCHARD
President of the Senate

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2689 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN
Chief Clerk

Approved March 29, 1996, with the exception of section 2, which is vetoed.

FILED

March 29, 1996 - 4:42 p.m.

MIKE LOWRY
Governor of the State of Washington

Secretary of State
State of Washington
AN ACT Relating to the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery; amending RCW 18.32.020; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Sec. 1. RCW 18.32.020 and 1957 c 98 s 1 are each amended to read as follows:

A person practices dentistry, within the meaning of this chapter, who (1) represents himself as being able to diagnose, treat, remove stains and concretions from teeth, operate or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity, or physical condition of the human teeth, alveolar process, gums, or jaw, or (2) offers or undertakes by any means or methods to diagnose, treat, remove stains or concretions from teeth, operate or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity, or physical condition of the same, or take impressions of the teeth or jaw, or (3) owns, maintains or operates an office for the practice of dentistry, or (4) engages in any of the practices included in the curricula of recognized and approved dental schools or colleges, or (5) professes to the public by any method to furnish, supply, construct, reproduce, or repair any
prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to be worn in
the human mouth.

The fact that a person uses any dental degree, or designation, or
any card, device, directory, poster, sign, or other media whereby he
represents himself to be a dentist, shall be prima facie evidence that
such person is engaged in the practice of dentistry.

X-ray diagnosis as to the method of dental practice in which the
diagnosis and examination is made of the normal and abnormal
structures, parts or functions of the human teeth, the alveolar
process, maxilla, mandible or soft tissues adjacent thereto, is hereby
declared to be the practice of dentistry. Any person other than a
regularly licensed physician or surgeon who makes any diagnosis or
interpretation or explanation, or attempts to diagnose or to make any
interpretation or explanation of the registered shadow or shadows of
any part of the human teeth, alveolar process, maxilla, mandible or
soft tissues adjacent thereto by the use of x-ray is declared to be
engaged in the practice of dentistry, medicine or surgery.

The practice of dentistry includes the performance of any dental or
oral and maxillofacial surgery. "Oral and maxillofacial surgery" means
the specialty of dentistry that includes the diagnosis and surgical and
adjunctive treatment of diseases, injuries, and defects of the hard and
soft tissues of the oral and maxillofacial region.

*NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take
effect immediately.

*Sec. 2 was vetoed. See message at end of chapter.

Passed the House March 4, 1996.
Passed the Senate March 1, 1996.
Approved by the Governor March 29, 1996, with the exception of
certain items that were vetoed.
Filed in Office of Secretary of State March 29, 1996.

Note: Governor’s explanation of partial veto is as follows:

"I am returning herewith, without my approval as to section 2,
Substitute House Bill No. 2689 entitled:

"AN ACT Relating to the practice of oral and maxillofacial
surgery;"

Substitute House Bill No. 2689 clarifies the dental scope of
practice to include oral and maxillofacial surgery.
This legislation includes an emergency clause in section 2. Although clarifying the dental scope of practice is important, it is not a matter necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions. Preventing this bill from being subject to a referendum under Article II, section 1 (b) of the state Constitution unnecessarily denies the people of this state their power, at their own option, to approve or reject this bill at the polls.

For this reason, I have vetoed section 2 of Substitute House Bill No. 2689.

With the exception of section 2, Substitute House Bill No. 2689 is approved."