

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1683

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2023 Regular Session

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Yeas 96 Nays 0

**Speaker of the House of
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 11, 2023
Yeas 49 Nays 0

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1683** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Barnard, Macri, Harris, Walen, Caldier, Gregerson, Christian, and Riccelli)

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1 AN ACT Relating to health carriers offering dental only coverage;
2 and adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43
5 RCW to read as follows:

6 (1) Every health carrier offering dental only coverage and every
7 health carrier offering dental only coverage in addition to a health
8 plan delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed by a health carrier
9 on and after January 1, 2024, shall permit denturists licensed under
10 chapter 18.30 RCW to provide dental services or care included in
11 their benefits package, to the extent that:

12 (a) The provision of such dental services or care is within the
13 health care providers' permitted scope of practice; and

14 (b) The providers agree to abide by standards related to:

15 (i) Provision, utilization review, and cost containment of dental
16 services;

17 (ii) Management and administrative procedures; and

18 (iii) Provision of cost-effective and clinically efficacious
19 dental services.

20 (2) The requirements of subsection (1) of this section do not
21 apply to a licensed health care profession regulated under Title 18

1 RCW when the licensing statute for the profession states that such
2 requirements do not apply.

3 (3) For purposes of this section, "health carrier," in addition
4 to the definition in RCW 48.43.005, also includes health care service
5 contractors, limited health care service contractors, and disability
6 insurers offering dental only coverage

7 (4) This act does not apply to a plan that offers dental only
8 coverage when the plan relies solely on employees of the health
9 carrier for provision of the benefits.

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