

2 SHB 2689 - S COMM AMD

3 By Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

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

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

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

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

1 soft tissues adjacent thereto by the use of x-ray is declared to be
2 engaged in the practice of dentistry, medicine or surgery.

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

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

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15 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "surgery;" strike the
16 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 18.32.020; and
17 declaring an emergency."

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