
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1271

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Jenkins, Johnson, Morrell, Green, Harris, Cody, Ryu, and Tharinger)

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1 AN ACT Relating to the practice of denturism; amending RCW
2 18.30.010; adding a new section to chapter 18.30 RCW; and providing an
3 effective date.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.30.010 and 2002 c 160 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in
8 this section apply throughout this chapter.

9 (1) "Board" means the Washington state board of denturists.

10 (2) "Denture" means a removable full or partial upper or lower
11 dental appliance to be worn in the mouth to replace missing natural
12 teeth.

13 (3) "Denturist" means a person licensed under this chapter to
14 engage in the practice of denturism.

15 (4) "Department" means the department of health.

16 (5) "Practice of denturism" means:

17 (a) Making, placing, constructing, altering, reproducing, or
18 repairing a denture; (~~and~~)

1 (b) Taking impressions and furnishing or supplying a denture
2 directly to a person or advising the use of a denture, and maintaining
3 a facility for the same;

4 (c) Making, placing, constructing, altering, reproducing, or
5 repairing the following nonorthodontic removable oral devices,
6 excluding devices intended to treat obstructive sleep apnea or to treat
7 temporomandibular joint dysfunction, where accompanied by written
8 encouragement to have regular dental checkups with a licensed dentist:

9 (i) Bruxism devices;

10 (ii) Sports mouth guards;

11 (iii) Removable cosmetic appliances, regardless of whether the
12 patient is missing teeth; and

13 (iv) Snoring devices, only after a physician has ruled out snoring
14 associated with sleep breathing disorders, including obstructive sleep
15 apnea; and

16 (d) Providing teeth whitening services, including fabricating
17 whitening trays, providing whitening solutions determined to be safe
18 for public use, and providing required follow-up care and instructions
19 for use of the trays and solutions at home.

20 (6) "Secretary" means the secretary of health or the secretary's
21 designee.

22 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. A new section is added to chapter 18.30 RCW
23 to read as follows:

24 Prior to providing the services mentioned in RCW 18.30.010(5) (c)
25 and (d), a licensed denturist must provide documentation to the board
26 that he or she received education and training on providing the
27 services. The board must, by rule, specify the education and training
28 necessary to provide the services mentioned in RCW 18.30.010(5) (c) and
29 (d).

30 NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2014.

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