

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2689**

54th Legislature  
1996 Regular Session

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

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

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

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

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.

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**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 Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Dyer, Cody, Campbell and Conway)

Read first time 02/02/96.

1            AN ACT Relating to the practice of oral and maxillofacial surgery;  
2 amending RCW 18.32.020; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

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

1 prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to be worn in  
2 the human mouth.

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

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

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

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

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