

REVENUE: No revenue impact

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Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	7 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Gallegos, Gorsek, Greenlick, Harker, Huffman, Whisnant, Dembrow
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Exc.:	Gilliam, Johnson
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Meeting Dates:	5/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Defines dentist of record. Requires accredited institutions and programs to maintain list of dentists of record that provide dental care in clinic or office setting. Requires institutions or programs to provide list to Board of Dentistry upon request.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Dental director versus dentist of record
- Oversight of dental hygiene and dental assistant programs
- Liability as an issue for dental directors
- Accreditation requirements for dental education programs

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Allows Oregon Board of Dentistry to receive list of dentists of record upon request.

BACKGROUND: Current statute (ORS 679.020(3)(e)) excludes accredited education programs from the requirement to have a licensed dentist “own, operate, conduct or maintain a dental practice, office, or clinic” but does require accredited programs to name an actively licensed dentist as the dental director. Dental hygiene and dental assisting education programs are accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation and the American Dental Association and the programs’ oversight and patient safety requirements are established by the accrediting body and exceed the standards required in a regular clinic setting.

Senate Bill 802-B defines the term dentist of record, specifies that educational institutions and programs maintain a list of dentists of record and that the list be provided to the Board of Dentistry upon requested.