

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 786

By COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

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1 Delete lines 4 through 10 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, ‘telehealth’ means a variety of methods, through**
3 **the use of electronic and telecommunications technologies, for the distance delivery of health**
4 **care services, including dental care services, and clinical information designed to improve a**
5 **patient’s health status and to enhance delivery of the health care services and clinical in-**
6 **formation.**

7 **“(2) A dental care provider authorized by the Oregon Board of Dentistry to practice**
8 **dental care services may use telehealth if:**

9 **“(a) In the professional judgment of the dental care provider, the use of telehealth is an**
10 **appropriate manner in which to provide a dental care service; and**

11 **“(b) The dental care provider is providing a dental care service that is within the scope**
12 **of practice of the dental care provider.**

13 **“(3) The use of telehealth as described in subsection (2) of this section is not an expan-**
14 **sion of the scope of practice of a dental care provider.**

15 **“(4) The board shall treat a dental care service that is delivered by a dental care provider**
16 **through telehealth as described in subsection (2) of this section the same as the board treats**
17 **the dental care service when delivered in person. The board shall apply identical quality and**
18 **practice standards to a particular dental care service regardless of the method of delivery**
19 **of the dental care service.”.**

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