

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1683**

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2023 Regular Session

DENTAL ONLY COVERAGE—DENTURIST SERVICES

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 23, 2023

Passed by the House April 14, 2023  
Yeas 96 Nays 0

LAURIE JINKINS

**Speaker of the House of  
Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 11, 2023  
Yeas 49 Nays 0

DENNY HECK

**President of the Senate**

Approved May 1, 2023 3:15 PM

JAY INSLEE

**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Bernard Dean, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1683** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

BERNARD DEAN

**Chief Clerk**

FILED

May 2, 2023

**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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**By** House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Barnard, Macri, Harris, Walen, Caldier, Gregerson, Christian, and Riccelli)

READ FIRST TIME 02/14/23.

1            AN ACT Relating to health carriers offering dental only coverage;  
2 and adding a new section to chapter 48.43 RCW.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to chapter 48.43  
5 RCW to read as follows:

6            (1) Every health carrier offering dental only coverage and every  
7 health carrier offering dental only coverage in addition to a health  
8 plan delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed by a health carrier  
9 on and after January 1, 2024, shall permit denturists licensed under  
10 chapter 18.30 RCW to provide dental services or care included in  
11 their benefits package, to the extent that:

12            (a) The provision of such dental services or care is within the  
13 health care providers' permitted scope of practice; and

14            (b) The providers agree to abide by standards related to:

15            (i) Provision, utilization review, and cost containment of dental  
16 services;

17            (ii) Management and administrative procedures; and

18            (iii) Provision of cost-effective and clinically efficacious  
19 dental services.

20            (2) The requirements of subsection (1) of this section do not  
21 apply to a licensed health care profession regulated under Title 18

1 RCW when the licensing statute for the profession states that such  
2 requirements do not apply.

3 (3) For purposes of this section, "health carrier," in addition  
4 to the definition in RCW 48.43.005, also includes health care service  
5 contractors, limited health care service contractors, and disability  
6 insurers offering dental only coverage

7 (4) This act does not apply to a plan that offers dental only  
8 coverage when the plan relies solely on employees of the health  
9 carrier for provision of the benefits.

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