

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1026

BY: CAIN of the SENATE

and

LARASON and NIEMI of the
HOUSE

AN ACT RELATING TO DENTAL SERVICES; CREATING THE
TASK FORCE ON DENTAL SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR
APPOINTMENT AND QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS;
REQUIRING APPOINTMENTS BE FILED WITH CERTAIN
PERSON BY CERTAIN DATE; REQUIRING INITIAL MEETING
BE HELD BY CERTAIN DATE FOR SELECTION OF
FACILITATOR; PROVIDING FOR CHAIRPERSON AND
ADDITIONAL MEETINGS; STATING PURPOSE OF TASK
FORCE; REQUIRING CERTAIN REPORT; PROVIDING FOR
NONCODIFICATION; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. A. There is hereby created the Task Force on Dental Services which shall be comprised of twenty-five (25) members appointed as follows:

1. Six members shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association;

2. Six members shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association;

3. Five members shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Assistants' Association;

4. Two members who shall be on the faculty of two different dental hygiene school programs in this state, one of whom shall be the director of the program, selected by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association;

5. Two members who shall be faculty members of the University of Oklahoma College of Dentistry, selected by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association;

6. Two members shall be appointed from the Board of Governors of the Registered Dentists of Oklahoma, of which one member shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association and one member shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association; and

7. Two members shall be lay persons of which one member shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association and one member shall be appointed by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association.

Lay members appointed to the Task Force may not be dentists, dental surgeons, dental hygienists, dental assistants or dental laboratory technicians, or be related by blood or marriage within the third degree to any such persons.

B. Appointments to the Task Force shall be made and filed with the Executive Secretary of the Board of Governors of the Registered Dentists of Oklahoma by June 15, 1992, or that date which is thirty

(30) days after the date this act becomes effective, whichever is sooner.

C. The Task Force on Dental Services shall meet initially on a date set jointly by the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association and the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association which shall be on or before July 1, 1992, for the purposes of electing a person to chair said meeting and selecting a nonmember Task Force facilitator who shall be mutually acceptable to all of the following: a majority of the appointees of the President of the Oklahoma Dental Association; a majority of the appointees of the President of the Oklahoma Dental Hygienists' Association; and a majority of the appointees of the President of Oklahoma Dental Assistants' Association. The Task Force shall meet at the call of the facilitator who shall serve thereafter as the chair of the Task Force.

D. The purpose of the Task Force on Dental Services shall be to:

1. Review and evaluate The State Dental Act and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto as the act, rules and regulations affect the relationship between and the scope of practice of dentists, dental hygienists and dental assistants;

2. Consider and evaluate the present governance arrangements and such proposed forms of governance for the respective members of the dental team as the Task Force deems appropriate; and

3. Identify such other problems, if any, as the Task Force deems appropriate to the delivery of dental services.

E. The Task Force on Dental Services shall report its findings and recommendations, if any, as agreed upon by the majority of the Task Force members, to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by January 1, 1993.

SECTION 2. The provisions of Section 1 of this act shall not be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 1992.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 21st day of April, 1992.

Speaker of the House of Representatives