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SENATE BILL ***193-FN***

AN ACT establishing a commission to study pathways to oral health care in New Hampshire.

SPONSORS: Sen. Gilmour, Dist 12; Sen. Woodburn, Dist 1; Sen. D'Allesandro, Dist 20; Sen. Reagan, Dist 17; Rep. Rosenwald, Hills 30; Rep. M. Nelson, Hills 35; Rep. Emerson, Ches 11

COMMITTEE: Health, Education and Human Services

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study pathways to oral health care in New Hampshire.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~].
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen

AN ACT establishing a commission to study pathways to oral health care in
New Hampshire.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 313:1 New Section; Commission to Study Pathways to Oral Health Care in New Hampshire.

2 Amend RSA 317-A by inserting after section 21-e the following new section:

3 317-A:21-f Commission to Study Pathways to Oral Health Care in New Hampshire.

4 I. There is established a commission to study and evaluate pathways to oral health care in
5 New Hampshire.

6 II. The members of the commission shall be as follows:

7 (a) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

8 (b) Two members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the house
9 of representatives.

10 (c) A public member, appointed by the governor.

11 (d) The executive director of the governor's commission on disability, or designee.

12 (e) A representative of the New Hampshire Dental Society, appointed by the society.

13 (f) A representative of the New Hampshire Dental Hygienists Association, appointed by
14 the association.

15 (g) A representative of the New Hampshire board of dental examiners, appointed by the
16 board.

17 (h) A representative of New Hampshire Kids Count, appointed by the organization.

18 (i) A representative of the New Hampshire Oral Health Coalition, appointed by the
19 coalition.

20 (j) A representative of the New Hampshire Academy of Pediatric Dentistry, appointed by
21 the academy.

22 (k) The New Hampshire Medicaid dental director, or designee.

23 (l) A representative of a federally qualified health center (FQHC) with a dental program,
24 appointed by the Bi-State Primary Care Association.

25 (m) A representative of the state committee on aging, appointed by the chairman of the
26 committee.

27 III. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, provided that legislative

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1 members shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to the duties of the
2 commission.

3 IV. The commission shall analyze and evaluate barriers to and coverage for dental care for
4 underserved New Hampshire residents, the impact of the implementation of expanded function
5 dental assistants and certified public health dental hygienists, and how adding these 2 new
6 professions to the dental team will meet the need for oral health services in New Hampshire. Such
7 evaluation shall include a review of oral health access data and needs and coverage needs for dental
8 services for underserved New Hampshire residents.

9 V. The commission may solicit and obtain information, presentation, or testimony from any
10 person or entity with expertise or experience relevant to the commission's study.

11 VI. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The
12 first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named senate member. The first meeting
13 of the commission shall be held within 90 days of the effective date of this section. Seven members of
14 the commission shall constitute a quorum.

15 VII. The commission shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
16 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
17 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 15, 2015.

18 313:2 Repeal. RSA 317-A:21-f, relative to the commission on pathways to oral health care, is
19 repealed.

20 313:3 Effective Date.

21 I. Section 2 of this act shall take effect November 15, 2015.

22 II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

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24 Approved: August 1, 2014

25 Effective Date: I. Section 2 shall take effect November 15, 2015.

26 II. Remainder shall take effect August 1, 2014.