

Amendment No.

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED                                         (Y/N)  
ADOPTED AS AMENDED                         (Y/N)  
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION                     (Y/N)  
FAILED TO ADOPT                             (Y/N)  
WITHDRAWN                                     (Y/N)  
OTHER                                          

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Health Quality  
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Perez offered the following:

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5 **Amendment (with title amendment)**

6 Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

7 Section 1. Study on affordability, access, and delivery of  
8 dental care.

9 (1) The Department of Health shall conduct a comprehensive  
10 study on the state of affordability, access, and delivery of  
11 dental care in this state.

12 (2) The study must:

13 (a) Examine utilization data and delivery system gaps,  
14 including demographic and income disparities.

15 (b) Develop and evaluate policy proposals to address  
16 barriers to care, expedience of care delivery, and oral health

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17 outcomes for high-need and high-risk populations. Policy  
18 proposals examined must be peer-reviewed and address evidence of  
19 clinical outcomes, measures for increasing access, and dental  
20 care for unserved or underserved populations.

21 (c) Examine workforce policies authorizing or increasing  
22 mid-level dental providers such as expanded function dental  
23 assistants, community dental health coordinators, and dental  
24 therapists.

25 (d) The department shall submit a report on the findings  
26 of the study and make recommendations on improving the  
27 affordability, access, and delivery of dental care to the  
28 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the  
29 House of Representatives by December 31, 2018. The report must  
30 also address any implementation burdens and the sustainability  
31 of each policy recommendation.

32 Section 2. This section expires on January 31, 2019.

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35 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

36 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:  
37 An act relating to dentistry; requiring the Department of Health  
38 to conduct a study dental care; requiring the department to