Board Resolution

From: Board of Directors

To: House of Delegates

September 2025

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Concerning the Independence of the

Washington State Dental Quality Assurance Commission

RESOLVED, that the Association supports the Washington State Dental Quality Assurance Commission (Commission) operating under more independent authority in alignment with the following principles:

* **Financial Prudence:** Increasing independence empowers the Commission to more effectively manage licensure and registration revenues collected from health professions under the jurisdiction of the Commission as well as the expenses associated with regulating the aforementioned health professions through increased budgeting authority.
* **Sustainability:** If independence is increased, the Commission must be able to sustainably manage its operations without significantly increasing licensure or registration fees for the health professions under its jurisdiction.
* **Accountability:** At a minimum, the Commission is able to hire, fire, and evaluate a chief staff executive and legal counsel that oversees the administration of the Commission.
* **Stakeholder Engagement:** Any transition should include structured opportunities for feedback from all impacted stakeholders and the public.

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