

## Dental Hygiene Board of California Legislative & Regulatory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Saturday, July 19, 2025**

DHBC Headquarters Building  
2005 Evergreen Street  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Hearing Room  
Sacramento, CA 95815

### **Legislative & Regulatory Committee Members Present:**

Chair – Michael Long, Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice (RDHAP)

Committee Member – Dr. Julie Elginer, Public Member

Committee Member – Joanne Pacheco, Registered Dental Hygienist (RDH) Educator Member

### **DHBC Staff Present:**

Anthony Lum, Executive Officer

Adina A. Pineschi-Petty, Doctor of Dental Surgery (DDS), Education, Legislative, and Regulatory Specialist

Crystal Yuyama, Administrative Analyst

Yuping Lin, Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) Legal Counsel

Elizabeth Dietzen-Olsen, DCA Regulatory Legal Counsel

### **1. LEG REG Committee Agenda Item 1: Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Michael Long, Legislative and Regulatory Committee Chair, called the Legislative and Regulatory Committee to order at **10:26 a.m.**, completed the roll call, and a quorum was established with three (3) members present.

### **2. LEG REG Committee Agenda Item 2: Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda.**

**Committee Member comment:** None.

**Public comment:** None.

**3. LEG REG Committee Agenda 3: Discussion and Possible Action on Amendments to California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 16, Sections 1116: Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinics; Issuance of Approval and 1116.5: Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice; Physical Facility Registration.**

Dr. Adina Petty stated due to new information and public comments received by the board, staff would request the Legislation and Regulatory Committee to table the discussion and possible action on 16 CCR Sections 1116: Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinics; Issuance of Approval and 1116.5: Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice; Physical Facility until the November 2025 meeting so staff may revise the proposed language for clarity.

**Motion:** Member Elginer moved for the Legislative and Regulatory Committee to table the discussion and possible action on 16 CCR Sections 1116: Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinics; Issuance of Approval and 1116.5: Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice; Physical Facility until the November 2025 meeting so staff may revise the proposed language for clarity.

**Second:** Member Pacheco.

**Committee Member discussion:** None.

**Public comment:** Tooka Zokaie, on behalf of the California Dental Association (CDA), asked if the additional materials would be made available to the public. Dr. Petty responded that the materials will be placed in the meeting packet for November 2025.

**Vote: Motion for the Legislative and Regulatory Committee to table the discussion and possible action on 16 CCR Sections 1116: Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinics; Issuance of Approval and 1116.5: Registered Dental Hygienist in Alternative Practice; Physical Facility until the November 2025 meeting so staff may revise the proposed language for clarity. Passed 3:0:0.**

Name	Aye	Nay	Abstain/Absent
Michael Long, Chair	X		
Julie Elginer	X		
Joanne Pacheco	X		

**4. LEG REG Committee Agenda 4: Regulatory Update: Status of Dental Hygiene Board of California Regulatory Packages. (Informational Only).**

Dr. Adina Petty provided an update on the status of regulatory packages the board has submitted to the Office of Administrative Law starting on page 264. She stated that

currently the board is running two packages: 1105.2 (e) (Periodontal Classifications); 1116.5 (RDHAP Physical Facility Registration) and 1116 (Mobile Dental Hygiene Clinics).

**Committee Member comment:** None.

**Public comment:** None.

**5. LEG REG Committee Agenda 5: Legislative Update: Bills of Interest and Legislative Calendar.**

Dr. Adina Petty reported as to current legislation of interest to the Board, as well as reporting on the current legislative calendar.

**Motion:** Member Elginer moved for the Legislative and Regulatory Committee to recommend to the Full Board to approve the proposed positions as follows: AB 224 (Watch), AB 341 (Watch), AB 350 (Support), AB 371 (Watch), AB 489 (Watch), AB 742 (Watch), AB 873 (Oppose), AB 966 (Watch), AB 980 (Watch), AB 1307 (Watch), AB 1418 (Watch), SB 62 (Watch), and SB 351 (Watch), SB 386 (Watch), SB 470 (Support), SB 744 (Support), and SB 861 (Support).

**Second:** Member Pacheco.

Legislation	DHBC Position
<b>AB 224</b> Bonta: Health care coverage: essential health benefits.	Watch.
<b>AB 341</b> Arambula: Oral Health for People with Disabilities Technical Assistance Center Program.	Watch.
<b>AB 350</b> Bonta: Health care coverage: fluoride treatments.	Support.
<b>AB 371</b> Haney: Dental coverage.	Watch.
<b>AB 489</b> Bonta: Health care professions: deceptive terms or letters: artificial intelligence.	Watch.
<b>AB 742</b> Elhawary: Department of Consumer Affairs: licensing: applicants who are descendants of slaves.	Watch.
<b>AB 873</b> Alanis: Dentistry: dental assistants: infection control course.	Oppose.

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<b>AB 966</b> Carrillo: Dental Practice Act: foreign dental schools.	Watch.
<b>AB 980</b> Arambula: Health care: medically necessary treatment.	Watch.
<b>AB 1307</b> Ávila Farías: Licensed Dentists from Mexico Pilot Program.	Watch.
<b>AB 1418</b> Schiavo: Department of Health Care Access and Information.	Watch.
<b>SB 62</b> Menjivar: Health care coverage: essential health benefits.	Watch.
<b>SB 351</b> Cabaldon: Health Facilities.	Watch.
<b>SB 386</b> Limón: Dental providers: fee-based payments.	Watch.
<b>SB 470</b> Laird: Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: teleconferencing.	Support.
<b>SB 744</b> Cabaldon: Accrediting agencies. (NEW)	Support.
<b>SB 861</b> Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development: Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development. Consumer affairs (Omnibus Bill).	Support.

**Committee Member discussion:** Regarding AB 873, Member Elginer commented that she noticed the board’s opposition letter was not included in the bill analysis. Dr. Petty stated that the letter was written and submitted by staff. EO Lum noted that the letter was entered into portal for submission. Member Elginer stated that she wanted to emphasize that the board’s letter of opposition was submitted, and it may not have made it into the Senate Business and Professions Committee Consultant Analysis.

Member Elginer requested staff to add the bill sponsor information in the summary of the documents if possible and available. She stated that she is happy to assist with locating this information.

**Public comment:** Tooka Zokaie, on behalf of the California Dental Association (CDA), stated that CDA urges the Board to amend its motion to change its current opposed position to a watch position for AB 873. She stated the language of the bill has been amended regarding the length of time to complete the Infection Control (IC) course. In

response to Ms. Zokaie’s comments, Member Elginer stated that she would not recommend the Board to change from its opposition position until the language is officially amended, and a discussion can occur at a future meeting.

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain/Absent</b>
<b>Michael Long, Chair</b>	X		
<b>Julie Elginer</b>	X		
<b>Joanne Pacheco</b>	X		

**6. LEG REG Committee Agenda 6: Future Agenda Items.**

**Committee Member comment:** None.

**Public comment:** None.

**7. LEG REG Committee Agenda 7: Legislative and Regulatory Committee Adjournment.**

Chair Long adjourned the Legislative and Regulatory Committee at **10:53 a.m.**