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## OLR Bill Analysis

### sSB 807

#### ***AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVISIONS TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH STATUTES.***

#### **SUMMARY**

This bill:

1. extends by one year, until January 1, 2020, the reporting deadline for the task force on the needs of and services for adults with intellectual disability;
2. extends by six months, until October 1, 2019, the deadline for dental assistants to pass the Dental Assisting National Board's infection control examination; and
3. makes various technical changes to public health-related statutes.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

#### **§ 12 — TASK FORCE DEADLINE**

SA 18-2 created a task force to study the (1) needs of adults with intellectual disability, including such adults with significant behavioral health or aging-related issues and (2) ways to provide the needed services and support. The group must report its findings and recommendations to the Public Health Committee.

The bill extends the task force reporting deadline by one year, until January 1, 2020. Under the bill, the task force terminates when it submits the report or January 1, 2020, whichever is later.

#### **§ 13 — DENTAL ASSISTANTS**

Starting July 1, 2018, current law generally prohibits dentists from delegating any dental procedures to a dental assistant who has not

passed the Dental Assisting National Board's infection control examination, except dental assistants may receive up to nine months of on-the-job training to prepare for the examination (thus requiring them to pass the examination by April 1, 2019). The bill extends the allowable period of on-the-job training to 15 months, thus requiring dental assistants to pass the examination by October 1, 2019.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 24 Nay 0 (03/01/2019)