

BEFORE THE KANSAS COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE –
WRITTEN NEUTRAL TESTIMONY OF THE KANSAS DENTAL BOARD
TO 2018 S.B. 312

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written neutral testimony on behalf of the Kansas Dental Board (“Board”) to 2018 S.B. 312. I am Lane Hemsley, the Executive Director of the Board.

The Board carefully considered the sum and substance of 2018 S.B. 312 at its regularly scheduled open public meeting on Friday, January 26, 2018. After a recorded roll call vote, the Board directed me to provide the following position statement to the Kansas Legislature and its associated committees:

2018 S.B. 312 addresses many of the past concerns the Board has expressed with dental therapy legislation because it protects the health and safety of the public by specifying dental therapists only perform irreversible dental procedures under the direct supervision of a licensed Kansas dentist.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Your time and attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Thank you.