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## **Sen. Jason Crowell Announces Appointment of Dr. Cynthia Heischmidt** *Heischmidt to Serve on the Advisory Commission for Dental Hygienists*

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JEFFERSON CITY– Sen. Jason Crowell, R-Cape Girardeau, today announced that he will serve as the Senate sponsor for Dr. Cynthia Heischmidt of Cape Girardeau. Heischmidt was recently nominated by the governor to serve on the Advisory Commission for Dental Hygienists.

Heischmidt is currently a dental hygienist and holds a bachelor's degree from the University of South Dakota and both her master's degree and doctorate from Southern Illinois University. Her professional background includes serving as a professor in the Department of Healthcare Professionals at Southern Illinois University and working as a consultant for accreditation preparation at John A. Logan College.

“Dr. Heischmidt has the professional background and experience that will make a big impact on this board's work,” said Sen. Crowell. “Her expertise in the field of dental hygiene as well as her knowledge of teaching will make her an invaluable member.”

The members of many state commissions and boards are appointed by the governor. Gubernatorial appointees then work with a state senator, who sponsors the nominee in the confirmation process. The confirmation process begins before the Senate's appointments committee and concludes with a consenting vote by the full Senate.

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