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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROFESSION OF COSMETOLOGY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCHOOLS OF COSMETOLOGY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COSMETOLOGY LICENSING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE PROFESSION OF COSMETOLOGY; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SCHOOLS OF COSMETOLOGY; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COSMETOLOGY LICENSING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-26-206 is amended to read as follows:

(a) The Department of Health or a private testing entity shall administer licensing examinations for eligible applicants.
(b) A member of the Cosmetology Technical Advisory Committee shall not be permitted to participate in or have the powers and duties that are related to the preparation of examinations or be permitted to give or grade the examinations of applicants for licensing.

A school of cosmetology shall administer the practical licensing examination approved by the Department of Health for eligible candidates.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-26-302 is amended to read as follows:
17-26-302. Application for examination and license.

(a) Each application for admission to examination and each application for a license as a cosmetologist or any branch of cosmetology shall be in writing on blanks prepared and furnished by the Department of Health the written examination shall be accompanied by the required fee, and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for registration and licensing.

(b) Each application shall be accompanied by the required fee and shall contain proof of the qualifications of the applicant for examination for registration and license.

(c) (b) The application shall be verified by the oath of the applicant.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-26-410(a), concerning instructor qualifications, is amended to read as follows:

(a)(1)(A) Each person employed in a school to instruct students in the school shall be a licensed cosmetologist, aesthetician, manicurist, or electrologist who as an instructor in the field in which he or she specializes.

(B) A licensed instructor in good standing is not required to renew his or her specialty license.

(2) A licensed instructor shall:

(A) Is Be twenty-one (21) years of age or older and has had six hundred (600) hours of teacher training in a school of cosmetology over a period of not less than four (4) months; and

(B) Has passed Pass an instructor's written examination given by the Department of Health, a practical examination administered by the school, and has have received an instructor's license.

SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 17-26-414(a), concerning special programs, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Instruction shall not exceed eight (8) ten (10) hours per day and six (6) days per week during the program.