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SENATE BILL 1041

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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING COSMETOLOGISTS,
MANICURISTS, AND AESTHETICIANS; AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING
COSMETOLOGISTS, MANICURISTS, AND
AESTHETICIANS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-26-304 is amended to read as follows:

*17-26-304. Prerequisites to examination for a cosmetologist,
manicurist, or aesthetician.*

*The Department of Health shall admit to examination for a license as a
cosmetologist, manicurist, or aesthetician a person who has made application
to the department in proper form, has paid the fee required, and who:*

(1) Is not less than sixteen (16) years of age;

*(2) Has completed two (2) years of high school in the public
schools of this state or its equivalent; and*

(3) Has completed one (1) of the following:

*(A) For a cosmetologist, training of at least ~~one thousand~~
~~five hundred (1,500)~~ one thousand two hundred (1,200) hours;*

*(B) For a manicurist, training of at least ~~six hundred~~
~~(600)~~ four hundred eighty (480) hours;*

*(C) For an aesthetician, training of at least ~~six hundred~~
~~(600)~~ four hundred eighty (480) hours; or*



(D) The prescribed course of study in cosmetology under the laws of another state whose licensing requirements are equal to or stricter than those in Arkansas.

*SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-26-315 is amended to read as follows:
17-26-315. Reciprocity.*

Upon application to the Department of Health in the form provided for the particular class of license applied for, accompanied by the required fee, a person licensed as a cosmetologist, electrologist, manicurist, aesthetician, or instructor under the laws of another state shall be granted a license to practice the occupation or occupations in this state not of greater scope than the occupation or occupations for which the applicant was previously licensed in the other state, upon the following conditions:

(1) That the applicant for a license as a cosmetologist, manicurist, or aesthetician is not less than eighteen (18) years of age, and the applicant for a license as an instructor or electrologist is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age;

(2) That the applicant holds a current valid license upon application for reciprocity, evidenced by a certified copy of the license and an affidavit from the other state or by such other evidence as the department may require;

(3) That the applicant has passed ~~a national~~ an examination comparable to the examination given in this state; and

(4) That the applicant passes an Arkansas law examination under this chapter.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-26-417(d), concerning cosmetology student work, is amended to read as follows:

(d)(1) A school may allow a student to volunteer in charity or special events held outside the school if the following conditions are met:

(A) The student agrees to participate;

(B) ~~The student has completed three quarters (3/4) of the course of study;~~

~~(C) The student is accompanied by and acts under the direct supervision of a licensed instructor; and~~

~~(D) The student receives no credit hours toward the course~~

~~of study (C) The school maintains the required student to teacher ratios.~~

(2) Documentation shall be maintained in the student's school file outlining the date, name, and location of the event and the number of hours volunteered.

~~(3) A school shall provide a thirty-day notice to the Department of Health, unless the special event involves a natural disaster as proclaimed by the Governor.~~

~~(4) A student shall not provide services to an elderly person who is confined to a hospital or nursing home.~~

/s/B. Sample

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