

HCS HB 1551 -- BARBER SHOP LICENSES

SPONSOR: Behnen (Tilley)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass by consent" by the Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 13 to 0.

This substitute allows a 45-day grace period for obtaining a new sanitary license when a barber shop changes ownership or location. During this period, inspections will be conducted without requiring the business to close or deviate from its regular hours of operation.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2007, FY 2008, and FY 2009.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say that if a barber shop is sold, it must remain closed until the State Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners inspects it. The bill allows these businesses to remain open and conduct business until the board does an inspection.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Tilley.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

OTHERS: Others testifying on the bill say that this will relieve some pressure from the board and give it a little more time to conduct inspections.

Others testifying on the bill was State Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners.

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