

HCS HBs 1434 & 1491 -- COSMETOLOGISTS

SPONSOR: Haley

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass with HCS" by the Standing Committee on Professional Registration and Licensing by a vote of 9 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Rules-Administrative Oversight by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill adds a new class to the profession of cosmetology. The class is named "Class EA - esthetics and manicuring" and it includes all practices of manicurists and estheticians.

The bill allows the classified occupation of manicurist to be apprenticed in conjunction with the classified occupation of esthetician. The apprentice is required to successfully complete an apprenticeship of no less than a total of 2,300 hours.

When the applicant for the license is a student, the student must complete the required school hours in a licensed school for both occupations.

This bill specifies that, any cosmetologist holding a license to practice certain categories of cosmetology (hairstylist, manicurist, hairstyling and manicuring, and estheticians) may register with the State Board of Cosmetology and Barber Examiners for a personal service registration to provide services to clients who are ill, disabled, or otherwise unable to travel to a cosmetology establishment. An applicant for a personal service registration shall submit to the Board an application, the fee set by the Board, and a copy of the applicant's license. An applicant for a personal service registration may be denied if the applicant has pled guilty or been found guilty of any of the offenses specified in the bill.

A personal service registrant must keep his or her information current and up to date with the Board and provide his or her clients a copy of the personal service registration and license upon request.

The Board may:

- (1) Inspect the tools, equipment, and implements of any personal service registrant one time each year to ensure that the registrant is following all sanitation standards;
- (2) Inspect the tools, equipment, and implements of any personal service registrant if a customer or client submits a complaint to the Board about the registrant; and

(3) Revoke the personal service registration of a registrant and or discipline a registrant's license for any violation set forth in current law or for failure to follow the requirements of this bill.

The following is a summary of the public testimony from the committee hearing. The testimony was based on the introduced version of the bill.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this is needed to help individuals with disabilities. This provides less restrictions on licensed cosmetologists in a safe way.

Testifying in person for the bill were Representative Haley; Arnie C. Dienoff; and Timothy Faber.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.

Written testimony has been submitted for this bill. The full written testimony and witnesses testifying online can be found under Testimony on the bill page on the House website.