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To: Public Health and
Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2356
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF COSMETOLOGY; TO AMEND
2 SECTIONS 73-7-2, 73-7-9, 73-7-51, 73-7-53, 73-7-55, 73-7-57 AND
3 73-7-59, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE PERSONS PRACTICING
4 HAIR BRAIDING OR WEAVING OR OPERATING A BRAIDING OR WEAVING SALON
5 TO BE LICENSED BY THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY, AND TO PRESCRIBE
6 QUALIFICATIONS AND FEES THEREFOR; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-3,
7 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE SPECIFIC AUTHORITY OF THE
8 STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY TO EMPLOY AND FIX THE SALARY OF AN
9 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF
10 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO ADOPT REGULATIONS TO ENSURE THAT
11 ALL FINGERNAIL SERVICE PRODUCTS DO NOT CONTAIN METHYL METHACRYLATE
12 (MMA); TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-13, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
13 AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO ISSUE INACTIVE COSMETOLOGY LICENSES AND TO
14 PRESCRIBE REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLYING FOR ACTIVE LICENSE STATUS; TO
15 AMEND SECTION 73-7-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CLARIFY THE
16 COLLEGE COURSE REQUIREMENTS OF COSMETOLOGY INSTRUCTORS; TO AMEND
17 SECTION 73-7-21, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE 350 HOURS OF
18 PRACTICE AND TRAINING FOR A MANICURIST'S LICENSE AND TO DELETE THE
19 REPEALER ON THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY TO
20 ISSUE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF POWER DRILLS IN MANICURING
21 PROCEDURES; TO AMEND SECTIONS 73-7-19 AND 73-7-29, MISSISSIPPI
22 CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR BIENNIAL COSMETOLOGY LICENSE RENEWAL
23 AND FEES AFTER JUNE 30, 2000, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD TO MAKE
24 CERTAIN REFUNDS OF FEES; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

26 SECTION 1. Section 73-7-2, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
27 amended as follows:

28 73-7-2. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall
29 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context otherwise
30 requires:

31 (a) "Board" means the State Board of Cosmetology.

32 (b) "Cosmetology" means any one (1) or a combination of
33 the following practices if they are performed on a person's head,
34 face, neck, shoulder, arms, hands, legs or feet for cosmetic
35 purposes:

36 (i) Cutting, clipping or trimming hair.

37 (ii) Styling, arranging, dressing, curling,

38 waving, permanent waving, straightening, cleansing, bleaching,
39 tinting, coloring or similarly treating hair.

40 (iii) Cleansing, stimulating, manipulating,
41 beautifying or applying oils, antiseptics, clays, lotions or other
42 preparations, either by hand or by mechanical or electrical
43 apparatus.

44 (iv) Arching eyebrows or tinting eyebrows and
45 eyelashes.

46 (v) Removing superfluous hair by the use of
47 depilatories.

48 (vi) Manicuring and pedicuring.

49 (c) "Cosmetologist" means a person who for
50 compensation, whether direct or indirect, engages in the practice
51 of cosmetology.

52 (d) "Esthetics" means any one (1) or a combination of
53 the following practices:

54 (i) Massaging the face or neck of a person.

55 (ii) Trimming eyebrows.

56 (iii) Tinting eyelashes or eyebrows.

57 (iv) Waxing, stimulating, cleaning or beautifying
58 the face, neck, arms or legs of a person by any method with the
59 aid of the hands or any mechanical or electrical apparatus, or by
60 the use of a cosmetic preparation.

61 The term "esthetics" shall not include the diagnosis,
62 treatment or therapy of any dermatological condition.

63 (e) "Esthetician" means any person who, for
64 compensation, either direct or indirect, engages in the practice
65 of esthetics.

66 (f) "Instructor" means a person licensed to teach
67 cosmetology, or manicuring and pedicuring, or esthetics, or
68 wigology, or all of those, pursuant to this chapter, and shall
69 include those persons engaged in the instruction of student
70 instructors.

71 (g) "Manicuring and pedicuring" means any one (1) or a
72 combination of the following practices:

73 (i) Cutting, trimming, polishing, coloring,
74 tinting, cleansing or otherwise treating a person's nails.

75 (ii) Applying artificial nails.

76 (iii) Massaging or cleaning a person's hands,
77 arms, legs or feet.

78 (h) "Manicurist" means a person who for compensation,
79 either direct or indirect, engages in the practice of manicuring
80 and pedicuring.

81 (i) "Master cosmetologist" means a person holding a
82 cosmetology license who has completed the minimum course of
83 continuing education prescribed by Section 73-7-14.

84 (j) "Salon" means an establishment operated for the
85 purpose of engaging in the practice of cosmetology, or manicuring
86 and pedicuring, or esthetics, or wigology, or all of those.

87 (k) "School" means an establishment, public or private,
88 operated for the purpose of teaching cosmetology, or manicuring
89 and pedicuring, or esthetics, or wigology, or all of those.

90 (l) "Wigology" means a service to a wig or hairpiece in
91 any one (1) or combination of the following:

92 (i) Arranging, dressing, waving or curling.

93 (ii) Cleaning.

94 (iii) Bleaching or coloring.

95 (iv) Cutting and shaping.

96 (m) "Wig specialist" means a person who, for
97 compensation, either direct or indirect, engages in the practice
98 of wigology.

99 (n) "Braiding or weaving" means a service in any one or
100 combination of the following:

101 (i) Any technique which involves sewing or gluing
102 wefts of hair in tracks of the person's own hair;

103 (ii) Any technique in which pieces or strands of

104 hair are sewn, braided or thermally fused to a persons's own hair;

105 (iii) Any technique which results in tension on a
106 person's own hair including braiding, weaving, wrapping, locking
107 and extending of the hair; or

108 (iv) Cleansing of the scalp and hair in
109 preparation for a technique as described in (i), (ii) or (iii)
110 above.

111 (o) "Braiding or weaving specialist" means a person who
112 for compensation, either direct or indirect, engages in the
113 practice of braiding or weaving.

114 SECTION 2. Section 73-7-3, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
115 amended as follows:

116 73-7-3. * * * The board shall also be authorized to employ
117 such clerical and stenographic assistance, bookkeepers,
118 investigators and other agents as they may deem necessary to carry
119 out the provisions of this chapter, and to fix their tenure of
120 employment and compensation therefor. The members of the board
121 shall file a bond with the Secretary of State in the sum of not
122 less than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) payable to the State
123 of Mississippi for the faithful performance of their duties. The
124 bond shall be made by a surety company authorized to do business
125 in this state, the premium of the bond to be paid out of any money
126 in the board's special fund in the State Treasury.

127 The office of the board shall be located in the greater
128 metropolitan area of the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and in the
129 event office space cannot be obtained in any state-owned building,
130 the board is authorized to rent suitable office space and to pay
131 therefor out of funds in the board's special fund. The board
132 shall employ inspectors as needed, not to exceed seven (7), who
133 shall be full-time employees and whose salaries and duties shall
134 be fixed by the board.

135 The salaries of all paid employees of the board shall be paid
136 out of the funds in the board's special fund. The inspectors

137 shall, in addition to their salaries, be reimbursed for such
138 expenses as are allowed other state employees under the provisions
139 of Section 25-3-41. In addition to the paying of office rent, the
140 board is authorized to purchase necessary office furniture and
141 equipment, stationery, books, certificates and any other equipment
142 necessary for the proper administration of this chapter.

143 SECTION 3. Section 73-7-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
144 amended as follows:

145 73-7-7. The board shall have authority to make reasonable
146 rules and regulations for the administration of the provisions of
147 this chapter. The board shall set up a curriculum for operation
148 of schools of cosmetology and the other professions it is charged
149 to regulate in this state. The board shall receive and consider
150 for adoption recommendations for rules and regulations, school
151 curriculum, and related matters from the Mississippi Cosmetology
152 Council, whose membership shall consist of, in addition to the
153 board members, five (5) elected delegates from the Mississippi
154 Hairdressers and Cosmetologists Association, five (5) elected
155 delegates from the Mississippi Cosmetology School Association,
156 five (5) elected delegates from the Mississippi Independent
157 Beauticians Association, and five (5) elected delegates from the
158 School Owners and Teachers Association. The board may revoke the
159 license of any cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, wig
160 specialist, braiding or weaving specialist, instructor, school of
161 cosmetology, or salon, or may refuse to issue a license to any
162 cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, wig specialist, braiding
163 or weaving specialist, instructor, school of cosmetology, or salon
164 that fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of this
165 chapter and the rules and regulations of the board in carrying out
166 the provisions of this chapter.

167 The board shall have authority to prescribe reasonable rules
168 and regulations governing sanitation of schools of cosmetology and
169 beauty salons for the guidance of persons licensed under this

170 chapter in the operation of schools of cosmetology, or a beauty
171 salon, and in the practice of cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring
172 and pedicuring, * * * wigology and braiding/weaving. However, any
173 and all rules and regulations relating to sanitation shall, before
174 adoption by the board, have the written approval of the State
175 Board of Health. When the board has reason to believe that any of
176 the provisions of this chapter or of the rules and regulations of
177 the board have been violated, either upon receipt of a written
178 complaint alleging such violations or upon the board's own
179 initiative, the board, or any of its authorized agents, shall
180 investigate same and shall have authority to enter upon the
181 premises of a school of cosmetology or salon at any time during
182 the regular business hours of that school or salon to conduct the
183 investigation. Such investigation may include, but not be limited
184 to, conducting oral interviews with the complaining party, school
185 or salon owner(s) and/or students of the school, and reviewing
186 records of the school or salon pertinent to the complaint and
187 related to an area subject to the authority of the board. Such
188 investigation shall not include written interviews or surveys of
189 school employees or students, and the privacy of patrons shall be
190 respected by any person making such investigation.

191 On or before July 1, 2000, the board shall adopt regulations
192 to ensure that all fingernail service products used by licensed
193 cosmetologists, manicurists and other licensees do not contain
194 methyl methacrylate (MMA) as a monomer agent for cosmetic nail
195 applications.

196 If the board finds that a violation of the provisions of this
197 chapter or the rules and regulations of the board has occurred, it
198 may cause a hearing to be held as set forth in Section 73-7-27.

199 SECTION 4. Section 73-7-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
200 amended as follows:

201 73-7-9. No person required by this chapter to have a license
202 shall conduct a beauty salon or school of cosmetology, or practice

203 cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring and pedicuring, * * * wigology,
204 braiding or weaving, or practice as an instructor, unless such
205 person has received a license or temporary permit therefor from
206 the board. Students determined to have violated any of these
207 rules or regulations prior to being licensed by the board shall be
208 subject to the same discipline by the board as licensees. They
209 may be disciplined and fined accordingly.

210 SECTION 5. Section 73-7-13, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
211 amended as follows:

212 73-7-13. (1) The board shall admit to examination for a
213 cosmetology license any person who has made application to the
214 board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who (a) is at
215 least seventeen (17) years of age, (b) can read, write and speak
216 English, (c) has successfully completed no less than fifteen
217 hundred (1500) hours over a period of no less than nine (9) months
218 in an accredited school of cosmetology, and (d) has a high school
219 education or its equivalent.

220 The board may, in its discretion, issue to any student who
221 has completed the prescribed hours in an accredited school in
222 Mississippi a temporary permit * * * until such time as the next
223 examination may be held, but such student shall be issued only one
224 (1) temporary permit. Application for an examination and license
225 shall be accompanied by two (2) recent head photographs of the
226 applicant. No temporary permit will be issued an applicant from
227 any other state to operate a beauty salon or school of cosmetology
228 in this state unless in case of emergency.

229 Applicants for the cosmetologist examination, after having
230 satisfactorily passed the prescribed examination, shall be issued
231 a cosmetology license which until June 30, 2000, shall be valid
232 for one (1) year, and after July 1, 2000, shall be valid for two
233 (2) years, and all said licenses shall be subject to renewal.

234 Any barber who can read, write and speak English and has
235 successfully completed no less than fifteen hundred (1500) hours

236 in an accredited barber school, and who holds a current valid
237 certificate of registration to practice barbering and who holds a
238 current valid license, is eligible to take the cosmetology
239 examination to secure a cosmetology license upon successfully
240 completing five hundred (500) hours in an accredited school of
241 cosmetology. All fees for application, examination, registration
242 and renewal thereof shall be the same as provided for
243 cosmetologists.

244 (2) Each application or filing made under this section shall
245 include the Social Security number(s) of the applicant in
246 accordance with Section 93-11-64, Mississippi Code of 1972.

247 (3) Any licensed cosmetologist who is registered but not
248 actively practicing in the State of Mississippi at the time of
249 making application for renewal, may apply for registration on the
250 "inactive" list. Such "inactive" list shall be maintained by the
251 board and shall set out the names and post-office addresses of all
252 cosmetologists registered but not actively practicing in this
253 state, arranged alphabetically by name and also by the towns and
254 states of their last known professional or residential address.
255 Only the cosmetologists registered on the appropriate list as
256 actively practicing in the State of Mississippi shall be
257 authorized to practice such profession. For the purpose of this
258 section, any licensed cosmetologist who has actively practiced his
259 or her profession for at least three (3) months of the immediately
260 preceding license renewal period shall be considered in active
261 practice. No cosmetologist shall be registered on the "inactive"
262 list until the cosmetologist has furnished a statement of intent
263 to take such action to the board. Any licensed cosmetologist
264 registered on the "inactive" list shall not be eligible for
265 registration on the active list until either of the following
266 conditions have been satisfied:

267 (a) Written application shall be submitted to the State
268 Board of Cosmetology stating the reasons for such inactivity and

269 setting forth such other information as the board may require on
270 an individual basis and completion of the number of clock hours of
271 continuing education in cosmetology as approved by the board; or

272 (b) Evidence to the satisfaction of the board shall be
273 submitted that they have actively practiced their profession in
274 good standing in another state and have not been guilty of conduct
275 that would warrant suspension or revocation as provided by
276 applicable law; and

277 (c) Payment of the fee for processing such inactive
278 license.

279 SECTION 6. Section 73-7-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
280 amended as follows:

281 73-7-15. (1) The board shall admit to examination for a
282 cosmetology instructor's license any person who has made
283 application to the board in proper form, has paid the required
284 fee, and who:

285 (a) Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age;
286 (b) Can read, write and speak English;
287 (c) Is a graduate of an accredited cosmetology school;
288 (d) Has a high school education or its equivalent;
289 (e) Has successfully completed seven hundred fifty
290 (750) hours of instructor training in an accredited school of
291 cosmetology;

292 (f) Has successfully completed twelve (12) semester
293 hours in college courses approved by the board;

294 (g) Holds a current, valid Mississippi cosmetology
295 license; and

296 (h) Has at least two (2) years' active practical
297 experience as a licensed cosmetologist or, as an alternative to
298 such experience, has successfully completed two thousand (2,000)
299 hours of instructor training in an accredited school of
300 cosmetology.

301 (2) The board shall admit to examination for an esthetics

302 instructor's license any person who has made application to the
303 board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

304 (a) Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age;

305 (b) Can read, write and speak English;

306 (c) Has a high school education or its equivalent;

307 (d) Has successfully completed six hundred (600) hours
308 of instructor training in an accredited school in which the
309 practice of esthetics is taught;

310 (e) Has successfully completed twelve (12) semester
311 hours in college courses approved by the board;

312 (f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi esthetician's
313 license; and

314 (g) Has had two (2) years of active practical
315 experience as an esthetician or, as an alternative to such
316 experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours
317 of instructor training in an accredited school in which the
318 practice of esthetics is taught.

319 (3) The board shall admit to examination for a manicurist
320 instructor's license any person who has made application to the
321 board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

322 (a) Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age;

323 (b) Can read, write and speak English;

324 (c) Has a high school education or its equivalent;

325 (d) Has successfully completed six hundred (600) hours
326 of instructor training in an accredited school in which the
327 practice of manicuring is taught;

328 (e) Has successfully completed twelve (12) semester
329 hours in college courses approved by the board;

330 (f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi manicurist's
331 license; and

332 (g) Has had two (2) years of active practical
333 experience as a manicurist or, as an alternative to such
334 experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours

335 of instructor training in an accredited school in which the
336 practice of manicuring is taught.

337 (4) Applicants shall satisfactorily pass the examination
338 prescribed by the board for licensing instructors prior to the
339 issuance of the licenses provided for in this section. However,
340 the board may, in its discretion, issue a temporary instructor's
341 permit until such time as the next examination may be held, but
342 such applicant shall be issued only one (1) temporary permit. All
343 applications for an instructor's examination shall be accompanied
344 by two (2) recent head photographs of the applicant.

345 (5) All instructors licensed pursuant to this section shall
346 biennially obtain twenty-four (24) clock hours of continuing
347 education in teacher training instruction in cosmetology or
348 esthetics or manicuring, as the case may be, as approved by the
349 board. Any instructor who fails to obtain the continuing
350 education required by this subsection shall not be allowed to
351 instruct nor enroll students under his or her license until such
352 education requirement has been met. The board may issue an
353 inactive instructor's license to such instructors, and an inactive
354 license may be converted into an active license after proof
355 satisfactory to the board of completion of at least twenty-four
356 (24) clock hours of approved continuing education required for
357 teacher training instruction.

358 (6) Each application or filing made under this section shall
359 include the Social Security number(s) of the applicant in
360 accordance with Section 93-11-64, Mississippi Code of 1972.

361 SECTION 7. Section 73-7-19, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
362 amended as follows:

363 73-7-19. Until June 30, 2000, all licenses issued under the
364 provisions of this chapter shall expire one (1) year from date of
365 issue; provided, however, that the board may authorize any
366 licensee to renew his or her license for a two-year period until
367 June 30, 2000, after which all licenses shall be renewed

368 biennially pursuant to the fee schedule in Section 73-7-29.
369 Applications for renewal of licenses for cosmetologists,
370 estheticians, manicurists, wig specialists and instructors must be
371 accompanied by the required renewal fee. A grace period of sixty
372 (60) days will be given in which to renew the license; and upon
373 the expiration of the grace period of sixty (60) days, any
374 applicant for the renewal of a license will be required to pay the
375 required renewal fee and a delinquent fee in addition to the
376 renewal fee. Said fees may be paid by either personal or
377 certified check, cash or money order, under such safeguards, rules
378 and regulations as the board may prescribe. Checks returned to
379 the board because of insufficient funds shall result in nonrenewal
380 of the license, which will require the penalty fee for
381 insufficient fund checks plus all other amounts due for renewal of
382 the license before the license may be renewed. After one (1) year
383 has passed from the expiration date of the license, a delinquent
384 fee must be paid for each year up to three (3) years, after which
385 the required examination must be taken. All applications for
386 examination required by this chapter shall expire ninety (90) days
387 from the date thereof.

388 Each application or filing made under this section shall
389 include the Social Security number(s) of the applicant in
390 accordance with Section 93-11-64, Mississippi Code of 1972.

391 SECTION 8. Section 73-7-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
392 amended as follows:

393 73-7-21. The board shall admit to examination for a
394 manicurist's license any person who has made application to the
395 board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

- 396 (a) Is at least seventeen (17) years of age;
397 (b) Can read, write and speak English;
398 (c) Has successfully completed no less than three
399 hundred fifty (350) hours of practice and related theory in
400 manicuring and pedicuring over a period of no less than nine (9)

401 weeks in an accredited school of cosmetology in this or any other
402 state; and

403 (d) Has a high school education or its equivalent.

404 Licensed manicurists desiring to pursue additional hours to
405 be eligible for a license as a cosmetologist may be credited with
406 the three hundred fifty (350) hours acquired in studying and
407 training to be a manicurist which may be applied to the number of
408 hours required for a cosmetology license examination.

409 The board shall adopt regulations governing the use of power
410 drills for the purpose of filing false or natural fingernails.
411 This paragraph shall stand repealed from and after July 1, 1998.

412 Each application or filing made under this section shall
413 include the Social Security number(s) of the applicant in
414 accordance with Section 93-11-64, Mississippi Code of 1972.

415 SECTION 9. Section 73-7-29, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
416 amended as follows:

417 73-7-29. The board shall assess fees in the following
418 amounts and for the following purposes:

- 419 (a) Application for examination and
420 reexamination - Cosmetologist, manicurist,
421 esthetician, wig specialist or
422 braiding or weaving specialist..... \$ 35.00
- 423 (b) Application for in-state
424 instructor-examination and
425 reexamination..... 50.00
- 426 (c) Application for out-of-state
427 instructor-examination, processing..... 55.00
- 428 (d) Until June 30, 2000, cosmetologist,
429 manicurist, esthetician, * * * wig
430 specialist license, or braiding or
431 weaving specialist, original and renewal..... 25.00
432 From and after July 1, 2000, biennial
433 original license and renewal..... 50.00

434	(e)	<u>Until June 30, 2000, master cosmetologist</u>	
435		license.....	35.00
436		<u>From and after July 1, 2000, biennial</u>	
437		<u>original license and renewal.....</u>	<u>70.00</u>
438	(f)	Cosmetologist, manicurist, esthetician, * * *	
439		wig specialist <u>or braiding or weaving</u>	
440		<u>specialist</u> by reciprocity, processing.....	55.00
441	(g)	<u>Until July 1, 2000, instructor license,</u>	
442		original and renewal.....	40.00
443		<u>After July 1, 2000, biennial original</u>	
444		<u>license and renewal.....</u>	<u>80.00</u>
445	(h)	Delinquent renewal penalty -	
446		Cosmetologist, manicurist, esthetician,	
447		wig specialist, <u>braiding or weaving</u>	
448		<u>specialist</u> and instructor:	
449		60 days to 1 year.....	25.00
450			plus license fee
451		Over 1 year to 3 years, per year.....	50.00
452			plus license fee
453	(i)	Salon application.....	50.00
454	(j)	Salon reinspection.....	35.00
455	(k)	Salon change of ownership or location	
456		or both.....	50.00
457	(l)	<u>Until June 30, 2000, salon license renewal.....</u>	30.00
458		<u>From and after July 1, 2000, biennial salon</u>	
459		<u>license renewal.....</u>	<u>60.00</u>
460	(m)	Salon delinquent renewal penalty -	
461		60 days to 1 year.....	25.00
462			plus license fee
463		Over 1 year	45.00
464			plus license fee
465	(n)	Application for a new school.....	300.00
466	(o)	New school reinspection.....	100.00

467	(p)	School change of ownership.....	300.00
468	(q)	School relocation.....	300.00
469	(r)	<u>Until June 30, 2000, school license renewal.....</u>	75.00
470		<u>From and after July 1, 2000, biennial school</u>	
471		<u>license renewal.....</u>	<u>150.00</u>
472	(s)	School delinquent renewal penalty -	
473		60 days to 1 year.....	100.00
474			plus license fee
475	(t)	Duplicate license or lost renewal form.....	10.00
476	(u)	Penalty for insufficient fund checks.....	20.00
477	(v)	Affidavit processing.....	15.00
478	(w)	<u>Inactive license fee.....</u>	<u>15.00</u>

479 The board may charge additional fees for services which the
480 board deems appropriate to carry out its intent and purpose.
481 These additional fees shall not exceed the cost of rendering the
482 service.

483 The board may authorize any licensee to renew his or her
484 license for a two-year period until June 30, 2000, after which all
485 licenses shall be renewed biennially pursuant to the above fee
486 schedule.

487 The board is fully authorized to make refunds of any deposits
488 received by the board for services which are not rendered, and may
489 refund any underpayments or overpayments of fees to licensees or
490 applicants.

491 SECTION 10. Section 73-7-51, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
492 amended as follows:

493 73-7-51. (1) From and after June 7, 1972, no person
494 required by Sections 73-7-51 through 73-7-61 to have a wig
495 specialist license or wig salon certificate of registration shall
496 conduct a wig salon or service a wig or hairpiece unless
497 application for an appropriate certificate or registration or
498 license has been made. All persons required by law to obtain a
499 certificate of registration or a license must file application

500 therefor within thirty (30) days after May 8, 1972. However, upon
501 the proper filing of an application by a holder of a current valid
502 wigologist permit as issued by the board, such holder shall be
503 issued a wig specialist license, and upon the proper filing of an
504 application by a holder of a current, valid wig shop certificate
505 of registration as issued by the board, such holder shall be
506 issued a wig salon certificate of registration.

507 (2) From and after September 1, 1999, no person required by
508 law to have a braiding or weaving specialist license or braiding
509 or weaving salon certificate of registration shall provide
510 braiding or weaving services or conduct a braiding or weaving
511 salon without possessing an appropriate certificate of
512 registration or license. All such persons required by law to
513 obtain a certificate of registration or license shall file
514 application therefor within thirty (30) days after July 1, 1999.

515 SECTION 11. Section 73-7-53, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
516 amended as follows:

517 73-7-53. Any applicant who is at least seventeen (17) years
518 of age, can read, write and speak English, has a high school
519 education or its equivalent, and has successfully completed no
520 less than three hundred (300) hours of practice and instruction
521 and related theory in the care and treatment of wigs over a period
522 of no less than eight (8) weeks in an accredited school of
523 cosmetology * * * is eligible to take the examination to secure a
524 wig specialist license.

525 Any applicant who is at least seventeen (17) years of age,
526 can read, write and speak English, has a high school education or
527 its equivalent, and his successfully completed no less than three
528 hundred (300) hours of practice and instruction and related theory
529 in braiding or weaving of hair over a period of no less than eight
530 (8) weeks in an accredited school of cosmetology is eligible to
531 take the examination to secure a braiding or weaving specialist
532 license.

533 Application for an examination and license shall be
534 accompanied by two (2) recent head photographs. The board shall
535 hold examinations for wig specialists and braiding or weaving
536 specialists at least twice a year and at such other times as the
537 board may determine.

538 Applicants for wig specialist license or braiding or weaving
539 specialist license, after having satisfactorily passed the
540 prescribed examination, shall be issued a wig specialist license
541 or braiding or weaving specialist license which shall be valid for
542 one (1) year, and from and after July 1, 2000, shall be valid for
543 two (2) years. All said licenses shall be subject to renewal.

544 All fees for application, examination and registration for a
545 wig specialist license or braiding or weaving specialist license
546 and the renewal thereof shall be the same as herein provided for
547 cosmetologists.

548 A person holding a wig specialist license may perform for
549 compensation services limited to a wig or hairpiece.

550 SECTION 12. Section 73-7-55, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
551 amended as follows:

552 73-7-55. Registered wig specialists and braiding or weaving
553 specialists desiring to pursue additional hours to be eligible for
554 a certificate of registration as a cosmetologist may be credited
555 with the three hundred (300) hours acquired in studying and
556 training to be a wig specialist or braiding or weaving specialist
557 which may be applied to the number of hours required to be
558 eligible to take a cosmetologist's examination.

559 SECTION 13. Section 73-7-57, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
560 amended as follows:

561 73-7-57. (1) All wig salon owners shall have a wig salon
562 license and shall pay to the board the required license fee
563 therefor and pay the required renewal fee for the renewal thereof.

564 Prior to the initial issuance of such a license, the board shall
565 inspect the premises to determine if same qualifies with the law,

566 upon payment by the applicant of the required inspection fee.

567 A person holding a wig salon license may maintain an
568 establishment in which services shall be limited to wigs or
569 hairpieces and performed only by licensed wig specialists and/or
570 licensed cosmetologists.

571 (2) All braiding or weaving salon owners shall have a
572 braiding or weaving salon license and shall pay to the board the
573 required license fee therefor and pay the required renewal fee for
574 the renewal thereof. Prior to the initial issuance of such a
575 license, the board shall inspect the premises to determine if it
576 qualifies with the law, upon payment by the applicant of the
577 required inspection fee. A person holding a braiding or weaving
578 salon license may maintain an establishment in which services
579 shall be limited to those performed only by licensed braiding or
580 weaving specialists and/or licensed cosmetologists.

581 SECTION 14. Section 73-7-59, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
582 amended as follows:

583 73-7-59. Nothing in Sections 73-7-51 through 73-7-61 as
584 amended by this Senate Bill No. 2356, 1999 Regular Session, shall
585 be construed to cause any person who, as of May 8, 1972, holds a
586 valid cosmetology license to make any application or take any
587 additional training in order to continue his or her practice as it
588 then exists. Nothing in said sections shall be construed to force
589 any person who desires to obtain a valid cosmetology license to
590 take any training in addition to the fifteen hundred (1500) hours
591 now required.

592 SECTION 15. This act shall take effect and be in force from
593 and after July 1, 1999.