HOUSE BILL NO. 1345

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE COSMETOLOGY BOARD TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA FOR THE ISSUANCE OF INSTRUCTOR'S LICENSES IN WIGOLOGY; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 73-7-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is amended as follows:

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

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

(b) Can read, write and speak English;

(c) Is a graduate of an accredited cosmetology school;

(d) Has a high school education or its equivalent;

(e) Has successfully completed seven hundred fifty (750) hours of instructor training in an accredited school of cosmetology;

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

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

(h) Has at least two (2) years' active practical experience as a licensed cosmetologist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed two thousand (2,000) hours of instructor training in an accredited school of cosmetology.
(2) The board shall admit to examination for an esthetics instructor's license any person who has made application to the board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

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

(b) Can read, write and speak English;

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

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

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

(f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi esthetician license; and

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

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

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

(b) Can read, write and speak English;

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

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

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

(f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi wigologist license; and

(g) Has had two (2) years of active practical experience as a wigologist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of wigology is taught.
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(4) The board shall admit to examination for a manicurist instructor's license any person who has made application to the board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

(a) Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age;
(b) Can read, write and speak English;
(c) Has a high school education or its equivalent;
(d) Has successfully completed six hundred (600) hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of manicuring is taught;
(e) Has successfully completed twelve (12) semester hours in college courses approved by the board;
(f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi manicurist license; and
(g) Has had two (2) years of active practical experience as a manicurist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instructor training in an accredited school in which the practice of manicuring is taught.

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

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

(7) Each application or filing made under this section shall
include the social security number(s) of the applicant in
accordance with Section 93-11-64.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from
and after July 1, 2007.