

By: Representative Mims

To: Public Health and Human Services

HOUSE BILL NO. 30

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
 2 DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESSING
 3 OF APPLICATIONS FOR COSMETOLOGIST, ESTHETICIAN, MANICURIST AND WIG
 4 SPECIALIST LICENSES BY RECIPROCITY BY SPOUSES OF INDIVIDUALS
 5 SERVING ON ACTIVE DUTY IN THE ARMED FORCES AND STATIONED IN
 6 MISSISSIPPI, AND TO ISSUE A LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY TO THE
 7 APPLICANT WITHIN SEVEN BUSINESS DAYS AFTER RECEIVING ALL NECESSARY
 8 INFORMATION AND THE RECIPROCITY FEE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

10 **SECTION 1.** Section 73-7-23, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
 11 amended as follows:

12 73-7-23. (1) The board may, upon application, issue a
 13 license by reciprocity to any cosmetologist, esthetician,
 14 manicurist or wig specialist over the age of seventeen (17) years
 15 from any other state who has satisfactorily completed the required
 16 number of accredited hours in that state, provided the state board
 17 from which the applicant comes issues to cosmetologists,
 18 estheticians, manicurists or wig specialists, as the case may be,
 19 from the State of Mississippi a license under the same conditions.
 20 Applications must be accompanied by (a) proof satisfactory to the



21 board that the required hours have been completed, and (b) the
22 required reciprocity fee, which shall be paid to the board.

23 (2) An instructor from any other state may be qualified for
24 instructor's examination upon presenting a valid instructor's
25 license and proof of a high school education or its equivalent,
26 provided that the instructor (a) has had three (3) years or more
27 of experience as a licensed instructor prior to application, (b)
28 can read, write and speak English, and (c) has completed twelve
29 (12) semester hours in college courses approved by the board.
30 Such application must be accompanied by two (2) recent head
31 photographs of the applicant. Applicants shall pay the required
32 examination fee and license fee.

33 (3) The board shall expedite the processing of the
34 application for a cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist or wig
35 specialist license by reciprocity under this section by an
36 applicant who is the spouse of an individual serving on active
37 duty in the Armed Forces of the United States and stationed within
38 the State of Mississippi, and shall issue a license by reciprocity
39 to the applicant within seven (7) business days after the board
40 has received all of the information necessary to verify that the
41 applicant meets the requirements of this section and received the
42 reciprocity fee.

43 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
44 and after July 1, 2013.

