

By: Senator(s) Hill

To: Public Health and Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2127

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 73-7-2 AND 73-7-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE
2 OF 1972, TO EXEMPT PERSONS ENGAGED IN THE PRACTICE OF EYEBROW
3 THREADING FROM THE PROVISIONS OF THE COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE LAW;
4 AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

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

8 73-7-2. As used in this chapter, the following terms shall
9 have the meanings ascribed herein unless the context otherwise
10 requires:

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

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

16 (i) Cutting, clipping or trimming hair and hair
17 pieces.



18 (ii) Styling, arranging, dressing, curling,
19 waving, permanent waving, straightening, cleansing, bleaching,
20 tinting, coloring or similarly treating hair and hair pieces.

21 (iii) Cleansing, stimulating, manipulating,
22 beautifying or applying oils, antiseptics, clays, lotions or other
23 preparations, either by hand or by mechanical or electrical
24 apparatus.

25 (iv) Arching eyebrows, to include tweezing,
26 waxing, * * * or any other methods of epilation, or tinting
27 eyebrows and eyelashes.

28 (v) Removing superfluous hair by the use of
29 depilation.

30 (vi) Manicuring and pedicuring.

31 (c) "Cosmetologist" means a person who for
32 compensation, whether direct or indirect, engages in the practice
33 of cosmetology.

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

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

37 (ii) Arching eyebrows to include trimming,
38 tweezing, waxing, * * * or any other method of epilation or
39 tinting eyebrows and eyelashes.

40 (iii) Tinting eyelashes or eyebrows.

41 (iv) Waxing, stimulating, cleaning or beautifying
42 the face, neck, arms or legs of a person by any method with the



43 aid of the hands or any mechanical or electrical apparatus, or by
44 the use of a cosmetic preparation.

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

47 (e) "Esthetician" means any person who, for
48 compensation, either direct or indirect, engages in the practice
49 of esthetics.

50 (f) "Instructor" means a person licensed to teach
51 cosmetology, or manicuring and pedicuring, or esthetics, or all of
52 those, pursuant to this chapter, and shall include those persons
53 engaged in the instruction of student instructors.

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

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

58 (ii) Applying artificial nails.

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

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

64 (i) "Master" means a person holding a cosmetology,
65 manicuring and esthetics license who has completed the minimum
66 course of continuing education prescribed by Section 73-7-14.



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

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

73 **SECTION 2.** Section 73-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
74 amended as follows:

75 73-7-31. Nothing in this chapter shall apply to:

76 (a) Hairdressing, manicuring or facial treatments given
77 in the home to members of family or friends for which no charge is
78 made.

79 (b) Persons whose practice is limited to the
80 application of cosmetic products to another person in connection
81 with the sale, or attempted sale, of such products at retail,
82 without compensation from such other person other than the regular
83 retail price of such merchandise.

84 (c) Barbers, and nothing in this chapter shall affect
85 the jurisdiction of the State Board of Barber Examiners.

86 (d) Persons engaged in the practice of hair braiding as
87 defined in Section 73-7-71 who have completed the self-test part
88 of the brochure on infection control techniques prepared by the
89 State Department of Health and who keep the brochure and completed
90 self-test available at the location at which the person is engaged
91 in hair braiding.



92 (e) Persons engaged in the practice of eyebrow
93 threading, defined as the use of techniques that result in
94 removing eyebrow hair by trapping the hair in a loop of cotton
95 thread and manipulating the thread by hand.

96 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
97 and after July 1, 2020.

