MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Parks

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To: Public Health and Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2582

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-7, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 2 REMOVE CERTAIN OBSOLETE DEFINITIONS TO CONFORM TO EXISTING LAW; TO 3 AMEND SECTION 73-7-9, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT ANYONE DETERMINED TO HAVE VIOLATED RULES PRIOR TO BEING LICENSED 4 BY THE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME 5 6 DISCIPLINE AS LICENSEES; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-15, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A COSMETOLOGY 7 INSTRUCTOR LICENSEE TO READ, WRITE AND SPEAK ENGLISH; TO AMEND 8 9 SECTION 73-7-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE AN APPLICANT 10 WHO IS APPLYING FOR A COSMETOLOGY SCHOOL LICENSE TO PROVIDE A 11 \$50,000.00 SURETY BOND; TO SET CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCH 12 APPLICANTS, INCLUDING THAT THE APPLICANT HAVE PROFESSIONAL 13 LIABILITY INSURANCE, MEET CERTAIN HEALTH STANDARDS AND HAVE THE CORRECT COURSE CONTENT; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-18, MISSISSIPPI CODE 14 15 OF 1972, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT FOR AN ESTHETICIAN LICENSEE TO READ, WRITE AND SPEAK ENGLISH; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-21, 16 17 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO DELETE THE REQUIREMENT FOR A MANICURIST LICENSEE TO READ, WRITE AND SPEAK ENGLISH; TO AMEND 18 SECTION 73-7-23, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT THE 19 20 BOARD MAY ISSUE A LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY IF THE OTHER STATE HAS 21 ENTERED INTO A WRITTEN RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-27, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR THE PROCEDURES 22 23 WHEN THE BOARD IMPOSES A CIVIL PENALTY OR FINE FOR VIOLATIONS, 24 INCLUDING A NOTICE AND HEARING REQUIREMENT; TO SET CERTAIN CLASSES 25 OF FINES FOR VIOLATIONS; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-29, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REMOVE CERTAIN OBSOLETE TERMS TO CONFORM TO 26 27 EXISTING LAW; TO AMEND SECTION 73-7-37, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 28 TO PROVIDE FOR THE JURISDICTION FOR THE BOARD TO FILE FOR AN ORDER ENFORCING COMPLIANCE OF THE CHAPTER; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 29

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

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31 SECTION 1. Section 73-7-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 32 amended as follows:

73-7-7. (1) The board shall have authority to make 33 reasonable rules and regulations for the administration of the 34 35 provisions of this chapter. The board shall set up a curriculum 36 for operation of schools of cosmetology and the other professions it is charged to regulate in this state. The board shall receive 37 38 and consider for adoption recommendations for rules and 39 regulations, school curriculum, and related matters from the 40 Mississippi Cosmetology Council, whose membership shall consist of, in addition to the board members, five (5) elected delegates 41 from the Mississippi Cosmetology Association, five (5) elected 42 43 delegates from the Mississippi Cosmetology School Association, five (5) elected delegates from the Mississippi Independent 44 Beauticians Association, and five (5) elected delegates from the 45 46 School Owners and Teachers Association. The board may revoke the 47 license of any cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, instructor, school of cosmetology, or salon, or may refuse to issue a license 48 49 to any cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, instructor, school 50 of cosmetology, or salon that fails or refuses to comply with the 51 provisions of this chapter and the rules and regulations of the 52 board in carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

53 (2) The board shall have authority to prescribe reasonable
54 rules and regulations governing sanitation of schools of
55 cosmetology and beauty salons for the guidance of persons licensed

S. B. No. 2582 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 2 (scm\tb) 56 under this chapter in the operation of schools of cosmetology, or 57 a beauty salon, and in the practice of cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring and pedicuring \* \* \*. However, any and all rules and 58 regulations relating to sanitation shall, before adoption by the 59 60 board, have the written approval of the State Board of Health. 61 When the board has reason to believe that any of the provisions of 62 this chapter or of the rules and regulations of the board have 63 been violated, either upon receipt of a written complaint alleging 64 such violations or upon the board's own initiative, the board, or any of its authorized agents, shall investigate same and shall 65 66 have authority to enter upon the premises of a school of cosmetology or salon at any time during the regular business hours 67 of that school or salon to conduct the investigation. 68 Such 69 investigation may include, but not be limited to, conducting oral 70 interviews with the complaining party, school or salon owner(s) and/or students of the school, and reviewing records of the school 71 72 or salon pertinent to the complaint and related to an area subject 73 to the authority of the board. Such investigation shall not 74 include written interviews or surveys of school employees or 75 students, and the privacy of patrons shall be respected by any 76 person making such investigation.

(3) On or before July 1, 2001, the board shall adopt regulations to ensure that all fingernail service products used by licensed cosmetologists, manicurists and other licensees do not

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

86 SECTION 2. Section 73-7-9, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 87 amended as follows:

88 73-7-9. No person required by this chapter to have a license 89 shall conduct a beauty salon or school of cosmetology, or practice 90 cosmetology, esthetics, manicuring and pedicuring, or practice as an instructor, unless such person has received a license or 91 92 temporary permit therefor from the board. \* \* \* Anyone determined 93 to have violated any of these rules or regulations prior to being 94 licensed by the board shall be subject to the same discipline by 95 the board as licensees. They may be disciplined and fined 96 accordingly.

97 SECTION 3. Section 73-7-15, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 98 amended as follows:

99 73-7-15. (1) The board shall admit to examination for a 100 cosmetology instructor's license any person who has made 101 application to the board in proper form, has paid the required 102 fee, and who:

103 (a) Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age; 104 \* \* \*

S. B. No. 2582 ~ OFFICIAL ~ 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 4 (scm\tb) 105 Is a graduate of a licensed cosmetology **\* \***b) 106 school; ( \* \* \*c) Has a high school education or its 107 108 equivalent; 109 ( \* \* \*d) Has successfully completed one thousand 110 (1,000) hours of instructor training in a licensed school of 111 cosmetology; 112 ( \* \* \*e) Has successfully completed six (6) semester 113 hours in college courses approved by the board; ( \* \* \*f) Holds a current, valid Mississippi 114 115 cosmetology license; and 116 ( \* \* \*q) Has at least one (1) year active practical 117 experience as a cosmetologist or, as an alternative to such experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours 118 of instructor training in a licensed school of cosmetology. 119 120 (2)The board shall admit to examination for an esthetics 121 instructor's license any person who has made application to the 122 board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who: 123 Is not less than twenty-one (21) years of age; (a) 124 \* \* \* 125 ( \* \* \*b) Has a high school education or its 126 equivalent; 127 ( \* \* \*c) Has successfully completed one thousand 128 (1,000) hours of instructor training in a licensed school in which the practice of esthetics is taught; 129

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130  $( * * * \underline{d})$  Has successfully completed six (6) semester 131 hours in college courses approved by the board;

132 (\*\*\*<u>e</u>) Holds a current, valid Mississippi
133 esthetician's license; and

134  $( * * * \underline{f})$  Has had one (1) year of active practical 135 experience as an esthetician or, as an alternative to such 136 experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours 137 of instructor training in a licensed school in which the practice 138 of esthetics is taught.

(3) 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;

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144 (\*\*\*<u>b</u>) Has a high school education or its
145 equivalent;

146 (\*\*\*c) Has successfully completed one thousand 147 (1,000) hours of instructor training in a licensed school in which 148 the practice of manicuring is taught;

149 (\*\*\*<u>d</u>) Has successfully completed six (6) semester 150 hours in college courses approved by the board;

151 ( **\* \* \***<u>e</u>) Holds a current, valid Mississippi

152 manicurist's license; and

153  $( * * * \underline{f})$  Has had one (1) year of active practical 154 experience as a manicurist or, as an alternative to such

S. B. No. 2582 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 6 (scm\tb) experience, has successfully completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instructor training in a licensed school in which the practice of manicuring is taught.

158 Applicants shall satisfactorily pass the examination (4)prescribed by the board for licensing instructors prior to the 159 160 issuance of the licenses provided for in this section. However, 161 the board may, in its discretion, issue a temporary instructor's 162 permit until such time as the next examination may be held, but 163 such applicant shall be issued only one (1) temporary permit. All applications for an instructor's examination shall be accompanied 164 165 by two (2) recent head photographs of the applicant.

166 All instructors licensed pursuant to this section shall (5) 167 biennially obtain twenty-four (24) clock hours of continuing 168 education in teacher training instruction in cosmetology or 169 esthetics or manicuring, as the case may be, as approved by the board. Any instructor who fails to obtain the continuing 170 171 education required by this subsection shall not be allowed to 172 instruct nor enroll students under his or her license until such 173 education requirement has been met. The board may issue an 174 inactive instructor's license to such instructors, and an inactive 175 license may be converted into an active license after proof 176 satisfactory to the board of completion of at least twenty-four (24) clock hours of approved continuing education required for 177 178 teacher training instruction.

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

182 SECTION 4. Section 73-7-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 183 amended as follows:

184 73-7-17. (1) \* \* \* All schools of cosmetology or school 185 owners shall have a school license and shall pay to the board the

186 required license fee. The board is hereby authorized and

187 empowered to promulgate necessary and reasonable rules and

188 regulations for the issuance of school licensees.

189 (2) \* \* \* <u>Any school making application for a license under</u>
190 this act shall not be transferable for any cause and shall include

191 a surety bond in the penal sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars

192 (\$50,000.00) in favor of the Mississippi State Board of

193 Cosmetology on a bond form completed by the insurance company or

194 agency. The applicant may file in lieu of the bond, cash or a

195 certificate of deposit or government bonds in the amount of Fifty

196 Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).

197 (3) The school applicant shall maintain a professional

198 liability insurance policy covering any aspect of the facility,

- 199 personnel and/or students.
- 200 (4) The school shall meet all applicable health and safety 201 standards that may be required by local, state and federal
- 201 <u>Standards that may be required by rotar, state and re</u>
- 202 <u>agencies</u>.

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203	(5) Private business and vocational schools that have
204	obtained national accreditation from an accrediting agency
205	designated by the United States Department of Education must
206	submit evidence of current accreditation. All licensed schools
207	not yet accredited may receive a temporary license annually for a
208	period not to exceed five (5) years until which time accreditation
209	has been granted by an accrediting body recognized by the
210	U.S. Department of Education.
211	(6) The course content and length of instruction shall be of
212	such nature and quality as to assure that the students will
213	adequately develop the job skills and knowledge necessary for
214	passing any and all examinations required for licensure.
215	(7) Schools shall provide favorable conditions for effective
216	classroom instruction. A total pattern of successful instruction
217	includes:
218	(a) Well-defined instructional objectives;
219	(b) Systematic planning;
220	(c) Selection and use of varied types of learning
221	materials and experiences;
222	(d) Adaptation of organization and instructional
223	procedures to student needs;
224	(e) Use of varied evaluation instruments and
225	procedures; and
226	(f) Good student and teacher morale.

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227 (8) Each board-approved school of cosmetology, esthetics or 228 manicuring must provide proof to the board of an annual pass rate 229 that meets or exceeds the current minimum standard as established 230 by the board. 231 The Board of Cosmetology will evaluate school curriculum (9) for conformance with educational requirements set forth by the 232 233 Mississippi Cosmetology Act. 234 (10) There shall be no automatic renewal of school licenses 235 and each licensee shall be audited for conformity prior to the 236 issuance of any a new license. 237 The licensee shall notify the board at least thirty (11)238 (30) days in advance of closure and provide a teach-out plan for 239 existing students which must be approved by the board. 240 (12)In the event that a school closes a facility, the 241 licensee must notify the board within sixty (60) days prior to 242 closing and provide proof of the reason for the closure; proof of 243 method developed to assist students with the completion of their 244 program of study and individual courses; proof of notice sent to 245 all currently enrolled students, notifying them of the closure; 246 proof of notice given to students indicating where they may obtain 247 any of their records; proof of disposition of student records, 248 with a contact person, complete address and telephone number and 249 how students' information may be obtained; proof of notice sent to 250 all students who have paid for any tuition and/or fees for future 251 enrollment in a program of study or individual course informing

S. B. No. 2582 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 10 (scm\tb) 252 them of the closure, and refund information; proof of certified 253 transcripts for each currently enrolled student who has paid for 254 and completed coursework in lieu of receiving a full or partial 255 refund. In the event a school files a bankruptcy petition, a 256 certified copy must be filed with the Board of Cosmetology. 257 SECTION 5. Section 73-7-18, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 258 amended as follows: 259 The board shall admit to examination for an 73 - 7 - 18. (1) 260 esthetician's license any person who has made application to the board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who: 261 262 (a) Is not less than seventeen (17) years of age; 263 264 ( \* \* \*b) Has a high school education or its 265 equivalent; and 266 ( \* \* \*c) Has successfully completed a course of 267 training in esthetics of not less than six hundred (600) hours in 268 an accredited school in which the practice of esthetics is taught,

269 including not less than one hundred (100) hours of theory and five 270 hundred (500) hours of skill practice.

Any licensed esthetician wishing to acquire a cosmetology license may apply the six hundred (600) hours of esthetics training toward the requirements for a cosmetology license.

(2) Every person who has completed not less than three
hundred fifty (350) hours of training in esthetics approved by the
board in this or any other state prior to July 1, 1987, shall be

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registered with the board within a period not exceeding six (6) months after July 1, 1987, and shall be granted an esthetician's license by the board if such person presents satisfactory evidence to the board that he or she has fulfilled all the requirements to be admitted to examination except the training hours requirement.

(3) 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, Mississippi Code of 1972.

285 **SECTION 6.** Section 73-7-21, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 286 amended as follows:

73-7-21. (1) The board shall admit to examination for a manicurist's license any person who has made application to the board in proper form, has paid the required fee, and who:

290 (a) Is at least seventeen (17) years of age;
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(\*\*\*<u>b</u>) Has successfully completed no less than three hundred fifty (350) hours of practice and related theory in manicuring and pedicuring over a period of no less than nine (9) weeks in an accredited school of cosmetology in this or any other state; and

297 (  $\star \star \star \underline{c}$ ) Has a high school education or its 298 equivalent.

(2) Licensed manicurists desiring to pursue additional hours
to be eligible for a license as a cosmetologist may be credited
with the three hundred fifty (350) hours acquired in studying and

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304 (3) The board shall adopt regulations governing the use of 305 electric nail files for the purpose of filing false or natural 306 nails.

307 (4) Each application or filing made under this section shall 308 include the social security number(s) of the applicant in 309 accordance with Section 93-11-64.

310 SECTION 7. Section 73-7-23, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 311 amended as follows:

312 73-7-23. (1)The board may, upon application, issue a license by reciprocity to any cosmetologist, esthetician or 313 314 manicurist over the age of seventeen (17) years from any other state who has satisfactorily completed the required number of 315 accredited hours in that state, provided the state board from 316 317 which the applicant comes issues to cosmetologists, estheticians 318 or manicurists, as the case may be, from the State of Mississippi a license under the same conditions and the other state has 319 320 entered into a written reciprocal agreement between participating 321 Applications must be accompanied by (a) proof states. 322 satisfactory to the board that the required hours have been 323 completed, and (b) the required reciprocity fee, which shall be 324 paid to the board.

325 (2) An instructor from any other state may be qualified for
 326 a Mississippi instructor's license upon presenting a valid

S. B. No. 2582 ~ OFFICIAL ~ 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 13 (scm\tb) 327 instructor's license and proof of a high school education or its 328 equivalent, provided that the instructor (a) is not less than 329 twenty-one (21) years of age, (b) has completed training 330 equivalent to the State of Mississippi's training as provided in 331 Section 73-7-15 or has three (3) years or more of experience as a 332 licensed instructor prior to application, (c) can read, write and 333 speak English, (d) has completed twelve (12) semester hours in 334 college courses approved by the board, and (e) has completed a 335 minimum of five (5) continuing education hours in Mississippi 336 board laws, rules and regulations. Such application must be 337 accompanied by two (2) recent passport photographs of the 338 applicant. Applicants shall pay the required license fee.

339 An applicant for a Mississippi instructor's license by (3) 340 reciprocity who has not completed the college courses requirement 341 at the time of application may apply for a onetime temporary 342 teaching permit, which shall be valid for six (6) months and shall 343 be nonrenewable. Such application must be accompanied by proof of enrollment in college course(s), required permit fee, two (2) 344 345 recent passport photographs of the applicant and other 346 documentation as required for application for a Mississippi 347 instructor's license by reciprocity. Upon proof of completion of 348 college courses and payment of the required license fee, a 349 Mississippi instructor's license shall be issued.

350 (4) The issuance of a license by reciprocity to a351 military-trained applicant, military spouse or person who

S. B. No. 2582 **~ OFFICIAL ~** 23/SS36/R551 PAGE 14 (scm\tb) 352 establishes residence in this state shall be subject to the 353 provisions of Section 73-50-1 or 73-50-2, as applicable.

354 SECTION 8. Section 73-7-27, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 355 amended as follows:

356 73-7-27. (1) Any complaint may be filed with the board by a 357 member or agent of the board or by any person charging any 358 licensee of the board with the commission of any of the offenses 359 enumerated in subsection (2) of this section. Such complaint 360 shall be in writing, signed by the accuser or accusers, and verified under oath, and such complaints shall be investigated as 361 set forth in Section 73-7-7. If, after the investigation, the 362 363 board through its administrative review agents determines that 364 there is not substantial justification to believe that the accused 365 licensee has committed any of the offenses enumerated, it may dismiss the complaint or may prepare a formal complaint proceeding 366 367 against the licensee as hereinafter provided. When used with 368 reference to any complaint filed against a licensee herein, the 369 term "not substantial justification" means a complaint that is 370 frivolous, groundless in fact or law, or vexatious, as determined 371 by unanimous vote of the board. In the event of a dismissal, the 372 person filing the accusation and the accused licensee shall be 373 given written notice of the board's determination. If the board 374 determines there is reasonable cause to believe the accused has 375 committed any of those offenses, the secretary of the board shall give written notice of such determination to the accused licensee 376

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379 The board shall have the power to revoke, suspend or (2)380 refuse to issue or renew any license or certificate provided for 381 in this chapter, and to fine, place on probation and/or otherwise 382 discipline a student or licensee or holder of a certificate, upon 383 proof that such person: (a) has not complied with an order, 384 decision or ruling of the board or has violated any of the rules 385 and regulations promulgated by the board; (b) has not complied 386 with or has violated any of the sections of this chapter; (c) has 387 committed fraud or dishonest conduct in the taking of the 388 examination herein provided for; (d) has been convicted of a 389 felony; (e) has committed grossly unprofessional or dishonest 390 conduct; (f) is addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating 391 liquors or to the use of drugs to such an extent as to render him 392 or her unfit to practice in any of the practices or occupations 393 set forth in this chapter; (g) has advertised by means of 394 knowingly false or deceptive statements; or (h) has failed to 395 display the license or certificate issued to him or her as 396 provided for in this chapter; or (i) has been convicted of 397 violating any of the provisions of this chapter. A conviction of 398 violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be grounds 399 for automatic suspension of the license or certificate of such 400 person.

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401 The board shall not revoke, suspend or refuse to (3) (a) 402 issue or renew any license or certificate **\* \* \*** in a disciplinary matter except after a hearing of which the applicant or licensee 403 404 or holder of the certificate affected shall be given at least 405 twenty (20) days' notice in writing, specifying the reason or 406 reasons for denying the applicant a license or certificate of 407 registration, or in the case of any other disciplinary action, the offense or offenses of which the licensee or holder of a 408 409 certificate of registration is charged. Such notice may be served 410 by mailing a copy thereof by United States first-class certified 411 mail, postage prepaid, to the last-known residence or business 412 address of such applicant, licensee or holder of a certificate. 413 The hearing on such charges shall be at such time and place as the 414 board may prescribe. The provisions of this paragraph (a) shall 415 not apply to the board's collection of a civil penalty or fine 416 imposed by the board under paragraph (b) of this subsection. 417 Any civil penalty or fine imposed by the board (b) 418 under this chapter shall become due and payable when the person 419 incurring the penalty receives a notice in writing from the board 420 of the penalty. The notice shall be sent by registered or 421 certified mail. The person to whom the notice is addressed shall 422 have thirty (30) days from the date of mailing of the notice in 423 which to make written application for a hearing. Any person who 424 makes that application shall be entitled to a hearing. The 425 hearing shall be conducted as a contested case hearing. When an

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426 <u>order assessing a civil penalty under this section becomes final</u> 427 <u>by operation of law or on appeal, unless the amount of penalty is</u> 428 <u>paid within ten (10) days after the order becomes final, it may be</u> 429 <u>recorded with the circuit clerk in any county of this state. The</u> 430 <u>clerk shall then record the name of the person incurring the</u> 431 <u>penalty and the amount of the penalty in his lien record book.</u>

(4) At such hearings, all witnesses shall be sworn by a member of the board <u>or court reporter</u>, and stenographic notes of the proceedings shall be taken. Any party to the proceedings desiring it shall be furnished with a copy of such stenographic notes upon payment to the board of such fees as it shall prescribe, not exceeding, however, the actual costs of transcription.

439 The board is hereby authorized and empowered to issue (5)440 subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of 441 books and papers. The process issued by the board shall extend to 442 all parts of the state and such process shall be served by any 443 person designated by the board for such service. The person 444 serving such process shall receive such compensation as may be 445 allowed by the board, not to exceed the fee prescribed by law for 446 similar services. All witnesses who shall be subpoenaed, and who 447 shall appear in any proceedings before the board, shall receive 448 the same fees and mileage as allowed by law.

449 (6) Where in any proceeding before the board any witness450 shall fail or refuse to attend upon subpoena issued by the board,

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458 The board shall conduct the hearing in an orderly and (7)459 continuous manner, granting continuances only when the ends of justice may be served. The board shall, within sixty (60) days 460 after conclusion of the hearing, reduce its decision to writing 461 462 and forward an attested true copy thereof to the last-known 463 residence or business address of such applicant, licensee or 464 holder of a certificate, by way of United States first-class 465 certified mail, postage prepaid. Such applicant, licensee, holder 466 of a certificate, or person aggrieved shall have the right of 467 appeal from an adverse ruling, or order, or decision of the board 468 to the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds 469 County, Mississippi, upon forwarding notice of appeal to the board 470 within thirty (30) days after the decision of the board is mailed 471 in the manner here contemplated. An appeal will not be allowed in 472 the event notice of appeal, together with the appeal bond hereinafter required, shall not have been forwarded to the board 473 474 within the thirty-day period. Appeal shall be to the Chancery Court of the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi. 475

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476 The appeal shall thereupon be heard in due course by the court 477 which shall review the record and make its determination thereon. 478 The appellant shall, together with the notice of (8) 479 appeal, \* \* \* first pay the costs for the transcription of the 480 record of the hearing(s) and proceeding(s) before the board in 481 which the adverse ruling, order or decision of the board was made. 482 In the event of an appeal, the court shall dispose of (9) 483 the appeal and enter its decision promptly. The hearing on the 484 appeal may, in the discretion of the chancellor, be tried in 485 vacation. If there is an appeal, such appeal may, in the discretion of and on motion to the chancery court, act as a 486 487 supersedeas. However, any fine imposed by the board under the 488 provisions of this chapter shall not take effect until after the 489 time for appeal has expired, and an appeal of the imposition of 490 such a fine shall act as a supersedeas. 491 (10) Any fine imposed by the board upon a licensee or holder 492 of a certificate shall be in accordance with the following \* \* \* 493 class designation of fines: 494 (a) \* \* \* Class A. Class A violations shall be set at 495 no less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more than One 496 Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Class A violations are specific to 497 the following: 498 (i) Unlicensed practice or the use of fraudulent 499 statements to obtain any benefits or privileges under this chapter 500 or practicing one (1) of the professions without a license. These

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501 violations will be handled in accordance with the requirements of 502 Section 73-7-27 or 73-7-37, as applicable.

503(ii) Extremely dangerous to the health and safety504of the general public.

(b) \* \* \* <u>Class B. Class B violations shall be set at</u> <u>no more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) nor more than</u> <u>Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00). Class B violations are</u> <u>major health and safety concerns that are detrimental to public</u> <u>safety and welfare</u>.

510 (c) Class C. Class C violations shall be set at no 511 more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Five Hundred 512 Dollars (\$500.00). Class C violations are minor health and safety 513 violations that are detrimental to public safety and welfare.

514 The power and authority of the board to impose such fines 515 under this section shall not be affected or diminished by any 516 other proceeding, civil or criminal, concerning the same violation 517 or violations.

518 In addition to the reasons specified in subsection (2) (11)519 of this section, the board shall be authorized to suspend the 520 license of any licensee for being out of compliance with an order 521 for support, as defined in Section 93-11-153. The procedure for 522 suspension of a license for being out of compliance with an order 523 for support, and the procedure for the reissuance or reinstatement 524 of a license suspended for that purpose, and the payment of any fees for the reissuance or reinstatement of a license suspended 525

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538 **SECTION 9.** Section 73-7-29, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 539 amended as follows:

540 73-7-29. The State Board of Cosmetology shall assess fees in 541 the following amounts and for the following purposes:

542 Initial license/renewal for cosmetologist, (a) manicurist \* \* \* or esthetician \* \* \*.....\$ 50.00 543 544 (b) Instructor initial license/renewal..... 80.00 545 Master cosmetologist license/renewal..... 70.00 (C) 546 (d) Delinquent renewal penalty - cosmetologist, 547 manicurist, esthetician \* \* \* and instructor..... 50.00 548 There shall be no renewal fee for any licensee 549 seventy (70) years of age or older.

550 (e) Salon application and initial inspection.... 85.00

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551	(f) Salon reinspection
552	(g) Salon change of ownership or location,
553	or both
554	(h) Salon renewal 60.00
555	(i) Salon delinquent renewal penalty 50.00
556	(j) Application and initial inspection for a
557	new school
558	(k) New school reinspection
559	(1) School change of ownership
560	(m) School relocation 150.00
561	(n) School renewal
562	(o) School delinquent renewal penalty 100.00
563	(p) Duplicate license
564	(q) Penalty for insufficient fund checks 20.00
565	(r) Affidavit processing 15.00
566	The State Board of Cosmetology may charge additional fees for
567	services which the board deems appropriate to carry out its intent
568	and purpose. These additional fees shall not exceed the cost of
569	rendering the service.
570	The board is fully authorized to make refunds of any deposits
571	received by the board for services which are not rendered.
572	Refunds will automatically be made on overpayment of fees.
573	Refunds will be made on underpayments by written requests from
574	applicants. If no request for refund is made within sixty (60)
575	days, the fees will be forfeited.

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576 **SECTION 10.** Section 73-7-37, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 577 amended as follows:

73-7-37. (1) 578 The violation of any of the provisions of this 579 chapter, including the use of fraudulent statements to obtain any 580 benefits or privileges under this chapter or practicing one (1) of 581 these professions without a license, shall constitute a 582 misdemeanor, punishable in any court of competent jurisdiction at 583 the seat of government, and any person or firm convicted of the 584 violation of any of the provisions of this chapter shall be fined not less than \* \* \* Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) nor more 585 than \* \* \* One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). The court shall not 586 587 be authorized to suspend or suspend the execution of the fine 588 required under this section.

589 If any person, \* \* \* salon, school or other type of (2)590 business entity engaged in the practice or teaching of the 591 provisions governed by this chapter violates any of the provisions 592 of this chapter, the secretary of the board, upon direction of a majority of the board and in the name of the board, acting through 593 594 the Attorney General or an attorney employed by the board, shall 595 apply in the Chancery Court of the \* \* \* county in which the 596 person or licensee resides or in the county which the person or 597 licensee practices, or the county in which the salon, school or other type of business entity is located, for an order enjoining 598 599 such violation or for an order enforcing compliance with the provisions of this chapter. Upon the filing of a verified 600

601 petition in the chancery court and after notice as provided under 602 the Mississippi Rules of Civil Procedure, such court, if satisfied 603 by the sworn petition, by affidavit or otherwise, that such person 604 or entity has violated any of the provisions of this chapter, may 605 issue an injunction without notice or bond, enjoining such 606 continued violation and such injunction shall remain in force and 607 effect until a final hearing. If at such hearing it is 608 established that such person or entity has violated or is 609 violating any of the provisions of this chapter, the court may 610 enter a decree permanently enjoining such violation or enforcing 611 compliance with this chapter. In addition, the court may enter a judgment against such person or entity for attorney's fees, court 612 613 costs and the actual costs incurred by the board in investigating the actions of such person or entity for which the board brought 614 the suit for an injunction. In case of violation of any decree 615 616 issued in compliance with this subsection, the court may punish 617 the offender for contempt of court and the court shall proceed as 618 in other cases.

(3) The proceedings in this section shall be in addition to
and not in lieu of the other remedies and penalties provided in
this chapter.

622 **SECTION 11.** This act shall take effect and be in force from 623 and after July 1, 2023.

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