By: Senator(s) Canon

To: Public Health and Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2355

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 73-5-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT AT LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE STATE BOARD OF BARBER 2 EXAMINERS SHALL BE A BARBER INSTRUCTOR; TO AMEND SECTION 73-5-17, 4 MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REQUIRE THAT BARBERING TESTS BE BASED ON STANDARDS OF THE COUNCIL ON LICENSURE, ENFORCEMENT AND REGULATION AFFILIATED WITH THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS, AND 5 6 7 TO REQUIRE THAT NO PERSON INTERESTED IN A BARBERING COLLEGE BE 8 INVOLVED IN THE GRADING OF EXAMINATIONS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 9 10 SECTION 1. Section 73-5-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 11 12 amended as follows: 13 73-5-1. The State Board of Barber Examiners is hereby continued and reconstituted as follows: The Board of Barber 14 15 Examiners shall consist of five (5) members, to be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, one (1) 16 member to be appointed from each of the congressional districts as 17 existing on January 1, 1991. Each member shall be a practical 18 19 barber and a qualified elector of this state. He shall have been 20 engaged in the practice of barbering in the State of Mississippi for at least five (5) years immediately prior to the time of his 21 22 appointment and shall be a person of good moral character. From 23 and after July 1, 1983, the appointments to the board shall be made in the manner hereinafter provided, and the present members 24 25 of the State Board of Barber Examiners whose terms have not expired by July 1, 1983, shall continue to serve until their 26 27 successors shall have been appointed and qualified. The Governor 28 shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the Senate, five (5) 29 members from the congressional districts as follows: The member from the First Congressional District shall be appointed for a 30

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31 term of two (2) years to commence on July 1, 1983; the member from
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32 the Second Congressional District shall be appointed for a term of

- 33 four (4) years to commence on July 1, 1984; the member from the
- 34 Third Congressional District shall be appointed for a term of two
- 35 (2) years to commence on July 1, 1983; the member from the Fourth
- 36 Congressional District shall be appointed for a term of four (4)
- 37 years to commence on July 1, 1984; and the member from the Fifth
- 38 Congressional District shall be appointed for a term of one (1)
- 39 year to commence on July 1, 1983. <u>In making appointments after</u>
- 40 July 1, 1999, the Governor shall ensure that at least one (1), but
- 41 not more than two (2), of the foregoing five (5) appointees is
- 42 <u>currently active as a barber instructor who has been actively</u>
- 43 <u>engaged in the practice of barbering or instructing at a barbering</u>
- 44 school for at least five (5) years prior to appointment to the
- 45 board.
- 46 Upon the expiration of the foregoing terms, all members of
- 47 the board shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and
- 48 consent of the Senate, for terms of four (4) years each from the
- 49 expiration date of the previous term, until their successors shall
- 50 have been appointed and qualified. No member of the board shall
- 51 hold any elected office. Appointments made to fill a vacancy of a
- 52 term shall be made by the Governor within sixty (60) days after
- 53 the vacancy occurs.
- The Governor may remove any one or more members of said board
- 55 for just cause. Members appointed to fill vacancies caused by
- 56 death, resignation or removal of any member or members shall serve
- 57 only for the unexpired term of their predecessors. Any member who
- 58 shall not attend two (2) consecutive meetings of the board for
- 59 reasons other than illness of such member shall be subject to
- 60 removal by the Governor. The president of the board shall notify
- 61 the Governor in writing when any such member has failed to attend
- 62 two (2) consecutive regular meetings.
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- 64 SECTION 2. Section 73-5-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- 65 amended as follows:
- 73-5-17. The Board of Barber Examiners shall conduct
- 67 examinations of applicants for certificates of registration to

- 68 practice as registered barbers not less than three (3) times a
- 69 year, which examination shall be had in some town or city selected
- 70 by the examining board. Examinations of applicants for
- 71 certificates of registration as barber instructors shall be
- 72 conducted at a time and place selected by the examining board.
- 73 <u>The board shall administer a barber examination or</u>
- 74 <u>examinations</u> for barber and barber instructor candidates which
- 75 measure the professional competency of such candidates. These
- 76 examinations shall be in compliance with the professional testing
- 77 standards developed by the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and
- 78 Regulation, affiliated with the Council of State Governments. No
- 79 member of the board who is involved in the ownership, management,
- 80 or operation of a barbering school shall participate in the
- 81 <u>development or grading of barbering examinations.</u>
- 82 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from
- 83 and after July 1, 1999.