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HOUSE BILL 718

Short Title: Licensure Reqs. Cosmetic Art. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives K. Smith and A. Baker (Primary Sponsors).  
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April 29, 2021

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COSMETOLOGY, ESTHETICIAN,  
MANICURIST, AND NATURAL HAIR CARE TEACHERS LICENSED BY THE  
NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF COSMETIC ART EXAMINERS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 88B-11 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 88B-11. Qualifications for licensing teachers.**

(a) Applicants for any teacher's license issued by the Board shall meet all of the following requirements:

(1) Possession of a high school diploma or a high school graduation equivalency certificate.

(2) Payment of the fees required by G.S. 88B-20.

(b) The Board shall issue a license to practice as a cosmetology teacher to any individual who meets the requirements of subsection (a) of this section and who meets all of the following:

(1) Holds in good standing a cosmetologist license issued by the Board.

(2) Submits proof of either practice of cosmetic art in a cosmetic art shop, or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic arts industry, for a period equivalent to ~~five years~~ one year of full-time work immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 800 hours of a ~~cosmetology~~ teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.

(3) Passes an examination for ~~cosmetology~~ teachers conducted by the Board.

(c) The Board shall issue a license to practice as an esthetician teacher to any individual who meets the requirements of subsection (a) of this section and who meets all of the following:

(1) Holds in good standing a cosmetologist or an esthetician license issued by the Board.

(2) Submits proof of either practice as an esthetician in a cosmetic art shop, or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic arts industry, for a period equivalent to ~~three years~~ one year of full-time work immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 650 hours of an ~~esthetician~~ a teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.

(3) Passes an examination for ~~esthetician~~ teachers conducted by the Board.

(d) The Board shall issue a license to practice as a manicurist teacher to any individual who meets the requirements of subsection (a) of this section and who meets all of the following:



- 1 (1) Holds in good standing a cosmetologist or manicurist license issued by the  
2 Board.
- 3 (2) Submits proof of either practice as a manicurist in a cosmetic art shop, or any  
4 Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic arts industry, for a  
5 period equivalent to ~~two years~~ one year of full-time work immediately prior  
6 to application or successful completion of at least 320 hours of a ~~manicurist~~  
7 teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.
- 8 (3) Passes an examination for ~~manicurist~~ teachers conducted by the Board.
- 9 (e) The Board shall issue a license to practice as a natural hair care teacher to any  
10 individual who meets the requirements of subsection (a) of this section and who meets all of the  
11 following:
- 12 (1) Holds in good standing a natural hair care license issued by the Board.
- 13 (2) Submits proof of either practice as a natural hair care specialist in a cosmetic  
14 art shop or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic art  
15 industry for a period equivalent to ~~two years~~ one year of full-time work  
16 immediately prior to application or successful completion of at least 320 hours  
17 of a ~~natural hair care~~ teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.
- 18 (3) Passes an examination for teachers conducted by the Board."

19 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021, and applies to applications  
20 for licensure on or after that date.