

# HOUSE BILL No. 1320

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 25-8.

**Synopsis:** Beauty apprenticeships. Provides that an individual who completes a United States Department of Labor registered apprenticeship program for barbers, estheticians, or manicurists is eligible to take the licensure examination of the applicable profession.

**Effective:** July 1, 2025.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 25-8-4-7, AS AMENDED BY P.L.82-2024,  
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 7. (a) Each applicant must pass a final practical  
4 demonstration examination of the acts permitted by the license. The  
5 following shall administer the final practical demonstration  
6 examination:  
7 (1) The applicant's beauty culture school.  
8 (2) The program sponsor or employer of the applicant's United  
9 States Department of Labor registered apprenticeship program to  
10 practice cosmetology, **barbering, esthetics, or manicuring**.  
11 (b) The board shall conduct a written examination of the students  
12 enrolled in beauty culture school or applicants for a beauty culture  
13 professional license. The written examinations described in this  
14 section:  
15 (1) shall be conducted at the times and places determined by the  
16 board;  
17 (2) may be administered through computer based testing;



1 (3) may be conducted before graduation from beauty culture  
2 school; and

3 (4) shall be conducted at times set by the board.

4 SECTION 2. IC 25-8-11-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013,  
5 SECTION 68, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
6 JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. The application described in section 3 of this  
7 chapter must state that the applicant:

8 (1) is at least eighteen (18) years of age;

9 (2) has successfully completed the eighth grade or received the  
10 equivalent of an eighth grade education;

11 (3) has graduated from a manicurist program in a beauty culture  
12 school **or completed a United States Department of Labor  
13 registered apprenticeship program to practice manicuring;**

14 (4) has received a satisfactory grade (as defined by IC 25-8-4-9)  
15 on an examination for manicurist license applicants prescribed by  
16 the board;

17 (5) has not committed an act for which the applicant could be  
18 disciplined under IC 25-8-14; and

19 (6) has paid the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13-9 for the issuance of a  
20 license under this chapter.

21 SECTION 3. IC 25-8-11-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
22 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
23 1, 2025]: **Sec. 4.5. An individual who has completed a United States  
24 Department of Labor registered apprenticeship program to  
25 practice manicuring is eligible to take the examination described  
26 in section 4(4) of this chapter.**

27 SECTION 4. IC 25-8-12.1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013,  
28 SECTION 71, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
29 JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 3. The application described in section 2 of this  
30 chapter must state that the applicant:

31 (1) is either:

32 (A) at least eighteen (18) years of age; or

33 (B) at least seventeen (17) years of age and is a graduate of an  
34 accredited high school;

35 (2) has:

36 (A) graduated with not less than one thousand five hundred  
37 (1,500) hours of training in a barber program in a beauty  
38 culture school; **or**

39 (B) **completed a United States Department of Labor  
40 registered apprenticeship program to practice barbering;**

41 (3) has received a satisfactory grade of at least seventy-five  
42 percent (75%) on an examination for barber license applicants



1 prescribed by the board;

2 (4) has not committed an act that could subject the applicant to  
3 discipline under IC 25-1-11; and

4 (5) has paid the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13 for the issuance of a  
5 license under this chapter.

6 SECTION 5. IC 25-8-12.1-3.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
7 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
8 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: **Sec. 3.5. An individual who has**  
9 **completed a United States Department of Labor registered**  
10 **apprenticeship program to practice barbering is eligible to take the**  
11 **examination described in section 3(3) of this chapter.**

12 SECTION 6. IC 25-8-12.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.158-2016,  
13 SECTION 12, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
14 JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 4. To receive a license issued under this chapter,  
15 a person must:

16 (1) be at least seventeen (17) years of age;

17 (2) have successfully completed the tenth grade or received the  
18 equivalent of a tenth grade education;

19 (3) have graduated from an esthetics program in a beauty culture  
20 school **or completed a United States Department of Labor**  
21 **registered apprenticeship program to practice esthetics;**

22 (4) have received a satisfactory grade (as defined by IC 25-8-4-9)  
23 on an examination for esthetician license applicants prescribed by  
24 the board;

25 (5) not have committed an act for which the person could be  
26 disciplined under IC 25-8-14; and

27 (6) pay the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13-11 for the issuance of a  
28 license under this chapter.

29 SECTION 7. IC 25-8-12.5-4.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA  
30 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
31 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2025]: **Sec. 4.5. An individual who has**  
32 **completed a United States Department of Labor registered**  
33 **apprenticeship program to practice esthetics is eligible to take the**  
34 **examination described in section 4(4) of this chapter.**

