

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 370

BY SENATOR BARROW

COSMETOLOGY. Provides relative to the practice of cosmetology. (8/1/18)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:563(13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) and 600(A) and (B) and to
3 enact R.S. 37:563(18), (19), (20), and (21) and 588, relative to cosmetology; to
4 provide for certain definitions; to provide relative to natural hair braiding; to provide
5 for certain requirements; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:563(13), (14), (15), (16), and (17) and 600(A) and (B) are hereby
8 amended and reenacted to read as follows and R.S. 37:563(18), (19), (20), and (21) and 588
9 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §563. Definitions

11 As used in this Chapter, the following words shall have the meaning herein
12 ascribed to them, unless the content clearly otherwise indicates:

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14 (13) "Mechanical devices" are clips, combs, crochet hooks, curlers,
15 curling irons, hairpins, rollers, scissors, blunt-tipped needles, thread, and hair
16 binders.

17 (14) "Mobile salon" means a self-contained facility, where cosmetology is

1 practiced for a fee, that may be moved, towed, or transported from one location to
2 another.

3 (15) "Natural hair braider" is any person who engages in natural hair
4 braiding.

5 (16) "Natural hair braiding" means the twisting, wrapping, weaving,
6 extending, locking, or braiding of hair by hand or with mechanical devices.

7 Natural hair braiding includes all of the following:

8 (a) The use of natural or synthetic hair extensions, natural or synthetic
9 hair and fibers, decorative beads, and other hair accessories.

10 (b) Minor trimming of natural hair or hair extensions incidental to
11 twisting, wrapping, weaving, extending, locking, or braiding hair.

12 (c) The making of wigs from natural hair, natural fibers, synthetic fibers,
13 and hair extensions.

14 (d) The use of topical agents such as conditioners, gels, moisturizers, oils,
15 pomades, and shampoos in conjunction with performing any action as described
16 in this Paragraph.

17 (17) "Natural hair braiding service" means any service performed by a
18 natural hair braider engaged in the practice of natural hair braiding as defined
19 in this Section.

20 ~~(14)~~(18) "Satellite classroom" means a separate classroom location used as
21 supplemental training space located under the same roof of the main school building
22 or on the same campus as the administrative center and within at least three hundred
23 feet of the main school building for the purpose of training an overflow of students
24 who cannot be accommodated at the main school.

25 ~~(15)~~(19) "School" means any premises wherein cosmetology is taught.

26 ~~(16)~~(20) "Student" means a person registered in a school authorized by the
27 board to teach cosmetology.

28 ~~(17)~~(21) "Teacher" or "instructor" means a person who teaches cosmetology
29 for direct or indirect compensation, within a school.

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§588. Natural hair braiding; permit required; continuing education

A. No person shall be permitted to engage in natural hair braiding without first satisfying all of the following requirements:

(1) Be at least sixteen years of age.

(2) Has the equivalent training as would be contemplated in the satisfactory completion of the tenth grade from an approved high school.

(3) Completed a minimum of one thousand hours of instruction from an approved training program.

(4) Paid the appropriate fee set forth in R.S. 37:599.

B. Upon completion of the requirements set forth in Subsection A of this Section, the board shall issue a permit to the person to perform natural hair braiding services.

C.(1) Each year any person who is permitted to engage in natural hair braiding shall complete twenty-four hours of continuing education classes. Such classes shall be approved by the board. The permittee shall provide the board with proof of completion of the classes.

(2) Failure to satisfy the requirements of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall subject the violator to fines as provided in R.S. 37:601.

D. The board shall adopt rules pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act as necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

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§600. Grounds for denial, suspension, summary suspension, or revocation of a certificate of registration **or permit**

A. The board may deny the issuance of, suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew any certificate of registration **or permit** or place on probation any registrant **or permittee**, after notice and opportunity for hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, upon proof of any of the following:

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