



# SENATE BILL 44: Mobile Beauty Salons.

**This Bill Analysis  
reflects the contents  
of the bill as it was  
presented in  
committee.**

2023-2024 General Assembly

**Committee:** Senate Judiciary. If favorable, re-refer to Finance. If favorable, re-refer to Rules and Operations of the Senate **Date:** April 18, 2023

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**OVERVIEW:** *Senate Bill 44 would authorize the North Carolina Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners to issue licenses to operate motor homes as mobile salons subject to fees and rules adopted by the Board.*

[As introduced, this bill was identical to S417, as introduced by Sens. Waddell, Murdock, Applewhite, which is currently in an unknown committee.]

### BACKGROUND AND CURRENT LAW:

The North Carolina Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners (the "Board") was created in 1933. "Cosmetic art" means "all or any part or combination of cosmetology, esthetics, natural hair care, or manicuring, including the systematic manipulation with the hands or mechanical apparatus of the scalp, face, neck, shoulders, hands, and feet."

A "motor home" is defined in G.S. 20-4.01(k) as a "vehicular unit, designed to provide temporary living quarters, built into as an integral part, or permanently attached to, a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis or van. The vehicle must provide at least four of the following facilities: cooking, refrigeration or icebox, self-contained toilet, heating or air conditioning, a portable water supply system including a faucet and sink, separate 110-125 volt electrical power supply, or an LP gas supply."

S.L. 2022-72 authorized motor homes to be used as mobile barbershops subject to licensing and rules adopted by the North Carolina Board of Barber and Electrolysis Examiners.

### BILL ANALYSIS:

**Section 1.(a)** would do the following:

- Define "mobile salon" as "a self-contained, enclosed mobile unit licensed for the practice of cosmetic art."
- Make mobile salons subject to the same inspection, licensing, practice, and posting requirements as those required for cosmetic art shops and schools.
- Charge mobile salons a \$25.00 annual licensing fee.

**Sections 1.(b) and 2** would authorize the use of a motor home as a mobile salon and create new requirements for the Board and mobile salons as follows:

- Require the Board to adopt rules for the operation, licensure, and inspection of mobile salons, including standards for facilities, personnel, and safety and sanitary requirements and issue a license to operate a mobile salon to an applicant that meets the application and other requirements.

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- A mobile salon must be equipped with a sink and toilet facilities and maintain a clean water supply and wastewater storage.
- No service may be performed while the salon is moving, and it must be parked while patrons are inside.
- Require mobile salon operators and their vehicles to comply with relevant provisions in Chapter 20 of the North Carolina General Statutes (Motor Vehicles), Title 19A of the North Carolina Administrative Code (Transportation), all applicable OSHA requirements, and all local laws and ordinances regulating business establishments.
- Require mobile salon owners to maintain a permanent business address where business records must be kept and made available to the Board, and each month, provide the Board a monthly itinerary for the salon.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act becomes effective October 1, 2023.