



2023-2024 General Assembly

SENATE BILL 607: Regulatory Reform Act of 2024, Sec. 3: Exempt Certain Activities From Requiring Licensure as a Barber or Cosmetologist

Committee:
Introduced by:
Analysis of: Sec. 3 of S.L. 2024-45

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OVERVIEW: *Section 3 of S.L. 2024-45 exempts certain employees whose duties are confined to shampooing or blow drying from having to become licensed as a barber or cosmetologist.*

This section became effective July 9, 2024.

CURRENT LAW & BILL ANALYSIS:

The practice of barbering is regulated by the North Carolina Board of Barber and Electrolysis Examiners, and involves the following practices: (i) cutting hair, or shaving or trimming beards; (ii) dyeing hair or applying hair tonics, permanent waving or marcelling hair; and (iii) giving facial or scalp massages, or treatments with oils, creams, lotions or other preparations either by hand or mechanical appliances. Under existing law, certain persons engaged in the proper discharge of their duties are exempt from having to become a licensed barber.

The practice of cosmetology is regulated by the North Carolina Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners, and involves the acts of arranging, dressing, curling, waving, cleansing, cutting, singeing, bleaching, coloring, or similar work upon the hair of a person by any means, including the use of hands, mechanical or electrical apparatus, or appliances or by use of cosmetic or chemical preparations or antiseptics. Under existing law, certain persons engaged in the proper discharge of their duties are exempt from having to become a licensed cosmetologist.

Section 3 of S.L. 2024-45 exempts persons who are employed by barbershops and whose duties are expressly confined to shampooing or blow drying of hair from having to become a licensed barber. These persons must still comply with the sanitary rules and regulations applicable to barbershops and other places where barber service is rendered.

This section also exempts persons who are employed by cosmetic art shops whose duties are expressly confined to shampooing or blow drying of hair from having to become a licensed cosmetologist. These persons must still comply with the rules adopted by the Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners relating to sanitary management of cosmetic art shops.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective July 9, 2024.

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