THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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AN ACT

Amending the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), entitled, 2 as amended, "An act to promote the public health and safety, by providing for the examination and licensure of those who 3 4 desire to engage in the profession of barbering; regulating 5 barber shops and barber schools, and students therein; regulating compensation for service rendered; conferring 7 certain powers and duties on the Department of State; and providing penalties, "further providing for licensing 8 requirements. 10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 11 hereby enacts as follows: 12 Section 1. Section 12 of the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law, amended June 13 14 30, 1984 (P.L.494, No.101), and June 28, 1996 (P.L.426, No.63), 15 is amended to read: 16 Section 12. (a) (1) Except for shops licensed under 17 section 13(b) and for one-barber shops, which shall be operated by a licensed barber, all other barber shops shall at all times 18 be under the immediate supervision of a manager-barber[.] or an

- 1 individual designated in charge of the shop in the shop owner's
- 2 absence. A shop owner shall designate an individual in charge of
- 3 the shop in the shop owner's absence. The name of the shop owner
- 4 and the designated individual shall be posted in a conspicuous
- 5 place in the barber shop. The shop owner or the designated
- 6 individual shall be readily available to board inspectors during
- 7 regular business hours. OR A LICENSEE DESIGNATED IN CHARGE OF
- 8 THE SHOP. A SHOP OWNER SHALL DESIGNATE A MANAGER-BARBER OR OTHER
- 9 LICENSEE IN CHARGE OF THE SHOP. THE NAME OF THE SHOP OWNER AND
- 10 THE MANAGER-BARBER OR THE DESIGNATED LICENSEE SHALL BE POSTED IN
- 11 A CONSPICUOUS PLACE IN THE BARBER SHOP. THE SHOP OWNER, MANAGER-
- 12 BARBER OR DESIGNATED LICENSEE SHALL BE READILY AVAILABLE TO
- 13 BOARD INSPECTORS DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS. In barber shops
- 14 where students are supervised by a manager-barber there shall be
- 15 no more than one student per barber shop. In barber shops where
- 16 students are supervised by a barber-teacher there shall be no
- 17 more than one student per barber-teacher. In no case shall there
- 18 be more than two students per barber shop. All barber schools
- 19 shall keep prominently displayed at every entrance to said
- 20 school a sign reading "Barber School." Any copartnership,
- 21 corporation, or person desiring to operate or conduct a barber
- 22 shop or barber school, shall first secure from the board a
- 23 license to do so, and shall keep the same prominently displayed.
- 24 Both the fee for registration of each barber school and the
- 25 annual renewal fee shall be determined by regulation. The board
- 26 may pass upon the qualifications, appointments, and course of
- 27 study in said school, which shall be not less than one thousand
- 28 two hundred fifty (1250) hours and not less than nine months.
- 29 All barber schools shall have not less than one licensed teacher
- 30 for every twenty students, and in no case less than one full-

- 1 time teacher, who shall be in attendance at all times during the
- 2 hours the school is open for instruction. This section does not
- 3 prohibit an owner who is a cosmetologist from employing a barber
- 4 without the requirement that a manager-barber also be employed.
- 5 (2) Any person who holds a license to operate or conduct a
- 6 barber shop or barber school, who shall fail to apply for a
- 7 renewal of his or her license and who continues to operate or
- 8 conduct a barber shop or barber school, shall, on summary
- 9 conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine not to exceed
- 10 three hundred dollars, or to undergo an imprisonment for a
- 11 period not exceeding ninety days, or both.
- 12 (b) No school of barbering shall be granted a license or
- 13 renewal unless it requires as a prerequisite to admission
- 14 thereto, graduation from the eighth grade in a secondary school
- 15 or its equivalent, and it shall attach to its staff, as a part-
- 16 time teacher, a person licensed by the Commonwealth to practice
- 17 medicine, and employ and maintain a sufficient number of
- 18 licensed teachers and shall possess apparatus and equipment
- 19 sufficient for the proper and full teaching of all subjects of
- 20 its curriculum; shall keep a daily record of the attendance of
- 21 each student; shall maintain regular class and instruction
- 22 hours, which shall not be less than seven nor more than eight
- 23 hours per day when the school is open for instruction; shall
- 24 establish grades and hold examination before issuance of
- 25 diplomas; and shall be required to maintain a course of study
- 26 requiring not less than one thousand two hundred fifty hours for
- 27 completion in not less than nine months; and shall comprise all
- 28 of the subjects pertaining to barbering, the barber laws of this
- 29 State, and the rules and regulations adopted by the board; and
- 30 shall include practical demonstrations and theoretical studies

- 1 and studies in sanitation, sterilization and the use of
- 2 antiseptics, cosmetics, and electrical appliances, consistent
- 3 with the practical and theoretical requirements as applicable to
- 4 barbering or any practice thereof.
- 5 (b.1) Upon renewal of the license, the school owner shall
- 6 supply an affidavit stating at the time of renewal that the
- 7 school is in compliance with this act and the rules and
- 8 regulations promulgated under this act.
- 9 (c) No school of barbering shall permit its students to
- 10 practice barbering on the public under any circumstances, except
- 11 by way of clinical work upon persons willing to submit
- 12 themselves to such practice, after first being properly informed
- 13 that the operator is a student. No school of barbering shall
- 14 directly or indirectly charge any money whatsoever for treatment
- 15 by its students and shall only charge the reasonable costs of
- 16 materials used in such treatment.
- 17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.