SUMMARY: Amends the Administrative Code of 1929 (Code) to add a new Article relating to Emergency COVID-19 provisions regarding issuance of a waiver to the Governor’s Business Closure Order to cosmetology salons and barber shops to provide hair services. This legislation would take effect immediately.

ANALYSIS: This legislation amends the Code to add a new Article I-A relating to Emergency COVID-19 Provisions.

**General Rule:** The legislation requires the Secretary of Community and Economic Development to immediately issue a waiver to the Governor’s 20200319 TWW COVID 19 Business Closure Order upon the request of a cosmetology salon or barber shop to provide hair services. Waivers shall only be issued to cosmetology salons and barber shops that can adhere to the social distancing practices and other mitigation measures defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to protect workers and to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

**Protections:** Cosmetology salons and barber shops that receive a waiver shall also provide, at a minimum, the following protections:

- Appropriate personal protective equipment, including masks, at the start of every shift for employees.
- A work environment, including but not limited to social distancing practices, that maximizes the safety of employees and clients.
- Providing hair services on an appointment basis only.
- Cleaning areas with adequate soap and water and breaks to frequently engage in hand washing.

**Violations:** A cosmetology salon or barber shop operating in this Commonwealth under a waiver that fails to comply with the requirements of this section shall be immediately closed and may not be permitted to reopen until in compliance.
The provisions of this legislation shall remain in effect until the proclamation of disaster emergency issued by the Governor is terminated or expired.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** This legislation would permit cosmetology salons and barber shops that are currently shut-down to reopen and operate under the proclamation of disaster emergency. To the extent additional salons and barber shops can begin to operate and generate revenue and income, the Commonwealth would realize additional revenues.

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