

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
State of Oklahoma

SPEAKER:

CHAIR:

I move to amend HB3843 \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the printed Bill  
Page \_\_\_\_\_ Section \_\_\_\_\_ Lines \_\_\_\_\_  
Of the Engrossed Bill

By striking the Title, the Enacting Clause, the entire bill, and by  
inserting in lieu thereof the following language:

AMEND TITLE TO CONFORM TO AMENDMENTS

Adopted: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Reading Clerk

Amendment submitted by: Ajay Pittman  
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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 59th Legislature (2024)

PROPOSED COMMITTEE  
SUBSTITUTE

FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 3843

By: Pittman

PROPOSED COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

An Act relating to professions and occupations;  
amending 59 O.S. 2021, Sections 199.7 and 199.8 which  
relate to the Oklahoma Cosmetology and Barbering Act;  
modifying provisions regarding curriculum hours;  
clarifying eligibility to provide instruction;  
permitting students to complete apprenticeships under  
certain circumstances; permitting student apprentices  
to receive compensation for work performed; directing  
the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering to  
promulgate rules for compensation of student  
apprentices; permitting student apprentices to take  
the examination for licensure under certain  
circumstances; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 199.7, is  
amended to read as follows:

Section 199.7 A. Each cosmetology and barber school shall be  
licensed annually by the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering.  
Application for the first year's license for a cosmetology and  
barber school shall be accompanied by a fee of Four Hundred Dollars  
(\$400.00), which shall be retained by the Board if the application

1 is approved and a license is issued. The annual renewal license fee  
2 for cosmetology or barber schools shall be One Hundred Twenty-five  
3 Dollars (\$125.00).

4 B. 1. No license or renewal thereof for a cosmetology or  
5 barber school shall be issued unless the owner thereof furnishes to  
6 the Board a good and sufficient surety bond in the principal sum of  
7 Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for the first instructor and an  
8 additional One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each additional  
9 instructor, executed by a surety company authorized to do business  
10 in this state, and conditioned on the faithful performance of the  
11 terms and conditions of all contracts entered into between the owner  
12 of the cosmetology or barber school and all persons enrolling  
13 therein.

14 2. The surety bond shall be in a form approved by the Attorney  
15 General and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State. Suit may  
16 be brought on the bond by any person injured by reason of the breach  
17 of the conditions thereof.

18 C. It shall be the duty of the owner or manager of a  
19 cosmetology or barber school to enter into a written contract with  
20 all students before permitting students to attend any classes.  
21 Contracts shall be made out in triplicate, the original copy to be  
22 retained by the school, the duplicate to be given to the student,  
23 and the triplicate to be filed with the executive director of the  
24 Board.

1 D. A school licensed or applying for licensure shall maintain  
2 recognition as an institution of postsecondary study by meeting the  
3 following conditions:

4 1. The school shall admit as a regular student only an  
5 individual who has earned a recognized high school diploma, or who  
6 is beyond the age of compulsory high school attendance;

7 2. The school shall be licensed by name, or in the case of an  
8 applicant, shall apply for licensure by name, to offer one or more  
9 training programs beyond the secondary level.

10 E. No license for a cosmetology or barber school shall be  
11 issued unless the owner thereof presents evidence satisfactory to  
12 the Board that the school has satisfactory facilities and equipment  
13 and has instructors qualified to give a course of study as provided  
14 in the Oklahoma Cosmetology and Barbering Act.

15 F. There shall be included in the curriculum for cosmetology  
16 and barber schools, courses of study in the theory of cosmetology  
17 and barbering related theory, studies in manipulative practices,  
18 sterilization and sanitation, shop management, and such other  
19 related subjects as may be approved by the Board.

20 G. 1. The Board shall adopt a curriculum of required courses  
21 of instruction in theory and training of either one thousand five  
22 hundred (1,500) clock hours or an equivalent number of credit hours  
23 as recognized by the United States Department of Education or a  
24 regional or national accreditation entity recognized by the United

1 States Department of Education in a basic course to be taught in all  
2 cosmetology or barbering schools in the state. The basic  
3 cosmetology or barbering course shall be designed to qualify  
4 students completing the course to take the examination for a  
5 license.

6 2. Cosmetology and barber students in vocational, trade, and  
7 industrial cosmetology and barbering classes in public schools,  
8 parochial, private schools or home schools shall qualify by  
9 completing one thousand (1,000) hours in a basic course of  
10 cosmetology or barbering and five hundred (500) hours of approved  
11 related subjects to be selected from, but not limited to, the  
12 following high school courses in a public school, parochial, private  
13 or home school: psychology, biology, general science, American  
14 history, art, typing I, typing II, business arithmetic,  
15 salesmanship, bookkeeping I, bookkeeping II, related mathematics,  
16 English II, English III and English IV.

17 H. 1. No person shall be eligible to give instruction in  
18 cosmetology or barbering unless the person is the holder of a  
19 current unrevoked instructor's license issued by the Board.

20 2. Each cosmetology or barber school shall employ at least one  
21 instructor for the first fifteen students registered therein, and at  
22 least one additional instructor shall be employed for each  
23 additional group of fifteen students, or major fraction thereof.

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1        3. Students utilizing hybrid learning programs are included in  
2 the total student number as referenced in the ratio in paragraph 2  
3 of subsection G H of this section.

4        I. A cosmetology or barbering school may be operated in and as  
5 part of an accredited high school.

6        J. No cosmetology or barber school owner or an establishment  
7 owner shall charge students or apprentices for cosmetic materials,  
8 supplies, apparatus, or machines used by them in practice work. A  
9 reasonable charge may be made by a cosmetology or barber school for  
10 clinical work performed by students upon persons who are not  
11 students therein. No instructor shall be permitted to do  
12 professional or clinical work in a cosmetology or barber school at  
13 any time.

14        K. No cosmetology or barber establishment shall ever be  
15 operated in or as a part of a cosmetology school.

16        L. 1. Students shall:

17            a. have an eighth-grade education or the equivalent  
18                thereof, and

19            b. be at least sixteen (16) years of age unless they are  
20                public or private school students who will be sixteen  
21                (16) years of age by November 1 of the year in which  
22                cosmetology or barbering instruction begins.

23        2. Credit shall not be given to any person by the Board or by a  
24 cosmetology or barber school for hours spent in attending a

1 cosmetology or barber school unless the person has registered with  
2 the Board as a student prior to the attendance, except that a  
3 student who has attended a cosmetology or barber school out of state  
4 may receive credit for such attendance for transfer upon proper  
5 certification as provided by rule of the Board.

6 3. No student shall be credited with more than eight (8) hours'  
7 attendance in a cosmetology or barber school in any one (1) day.

8 4. No person shall be eligible to take the Board-issued  
9 examination for a license unless such person is at least seventeen  
10 (17) years of age or a high school graduate.

11 M. 1. No student shall be eligible to take the examination for  
12 a Board-issued license without furnishing to the Board the affidavit  
13 of the owner of the cosmetology or barber school that the student  
14 has satisfactorily completed the requirements specified in paragraph  
15 1 of subsection ~~F~~ G of this section, except public and private  
16 school students who will complete the requirements specified in  
17 paragraph 2 of subsection ~~F~~ G of this section by the close of the  
18 current school year may take the examination next preceding the end  
19 of the school year.

20 2. Students who are eligible to take the examination shall be  
21 given an oral examination if requested by their instructor and proof  
22 of qualifying disability is proven.

23 N. No person shall be eligible to register for the examination  
24 for an instructor's license unless such person is a high school

graduate, or has obtained a General Equivalency Diploma (GED) as to which the applicant shall qualify by tests to be prescribed by the Board and conducted by qualified examiners selected by the Board, and has:

1. Satisfactorily completed all hours required for the appropriate specialty course and an additional one thousand (1,000) instructor training hours or equivalent number of credit hours as recognized by the United States Department of Education or as recognized by a national accreditation entity prescribed by the Board in a cosmetology school in this state; or

2. Completed all hours required for the appropriate specialty course, three hundred (300) instructor training hours, prescribed by the Board in a cosmetology school in this state and has been engaged in the practice of cosmetology for at least the preceding two (2) years.

O. The Board shall have the power to conduct examinations around the state at public locations including, but not limited to, technology center schools.

P. Each cosmetology or barber school shall prominently display in a conspicuous place above or to the side of the entrance thereto a sign identifying it as an institute of learning. Wording on sign shall be in plain letters at least three (3) inches high and at least one (1) inch wide.



1       SECTION 2.       AMENDATORY       59 O.S. 2021, Section 199.8, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3       Section 199.8 A. Each person training as an apprentice shall  
4 be required to have the same qualifications as a student for  
5 admission into a cosmetology or barber school, and shall be  
6 registered with the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering before  
7 commencing the training.

8       B. No apprentice shall engage in any of the practices of  
9 cosmetology or barbering except under the immediate supervision of a  
10 licensed instructor in a cosmetology or barber establishment  
11 approved by the Board for apprentice training.

12       C. All apprentices must wear a badge which designates them as  
13 an apprentice and is furnished by the Board with the apprentice  
14 registration receipt.

15       D. Only one apprentice may be registered to receive training in  
16 any cosmetology or barber establishment at any one time.

17       E. Completion of three thousand (3,000) hours of apprentice  
18 training in a cosmetology or barber establishment is the equivalent  
19 of one thousand five hundred (1,500) hours' training in a  
20 cosmetology or barber school and shall entitle the apprentice to  
21 take the examination.

22       F. 1. Notwithstanding subsection B of this section, a student  
23 who has completed one thousand (1,000) hours of instruction in a  
24 cosmetology or barber school or vocational, trade, and industrial

1 cosmetology and barbering classes in public schools, parochial  
2 schools, private schools, or home schools shall be eligible to work  
3 as a student apprentice in a cosmetology or barber establishment  
4 under the supervision of a licensed cosmetologist or barber who has  
5 at least five (5) years' experience practicing in a licensed  
6 establishment.

7 2. Individuals with an active cosmetology or barbering license  
8 who have practiced under an active license for at least five (5)  
9 years in a licensed establishment shall have the authority to  
10 supervise and instruct student apprentices in accordance with this  
11 subsection.

12 3. A student apprentice shall be entitled to receive fair  
13 compensation for the work performed under the direction of the  
14 licensed cosmetologist or barber. Fair compensation means fair  
15 market value for the cosmetology and barbering services rendered  
16 based on the establishment wherein the services are performed. The  
17 Board shall promulgate rules outlining compensation details for  
18 student apprentice work performed in accordance with this section.

19 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2024.  
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