

SENATE BILL NO. 178—SENATORS BUCK AND HARDY

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JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN DICKMAN AND O’NEILL

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to cosmetology. (BDR 54-630)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to cosmetology; revising provisions relating to the practice of shampoo technology; revising the training requirements for shampoo technologists; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law prohibits a person from engaging in the practice of cosmetology or
2 any branch of cosmetology unless the person is licensed or registered by the State
3 Board of Cosmetology. (NRS 644A.900) Under existing law, the general
4 qualifications for a license as a cosmetologist include training of at least 1,600
5 hours in a school of cosmetology approved by the Board. (NRS 644A.300) The
6 general qualifications for a certificate of registration as a shampoo technologist in
7 existing law include certain training of at least 50 hours. (NRS 644A.375) Under
8 existing law, “shampoo technology” does not include any other activity that is set
9 forth in the definition of “cosmetologist” other than the activities expressly set forth
10 in the definition of “shampoo technology.” (NRS 644A.135) Under existing law,
11 the definition of “cosmetologist” specifically includes the arranging, curling,
12 waving or straightening the hair of any person with the hands, mechanical or
13 electrical apparatus or appliances, or by other means. (NRS 644A.030) **Section 1**
14 of this bill includes the use of blow dryers and curling irons in the definition of
15 “shampoo technology,” thereby allowing a shampoo technologist to perform such
16 activities under his or her certificate of registration and without having to be
17 licensed as a cosmetologist. **Section 2** of this bill reduces from 50 hours to 20 hours
18 the minimum number of hours in existing law of training required in a licensed
19 school of cosmetology or online curriculum to qualify for examination for a
20 certificate of registration as a shampoo technologist. (NRS 644A.375)



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 644A.135 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 644A.135 1. “Shampoo technology” means the practices of:

4 (a) Cleansing of the hair or scalp, including, without limitation:

5 (1) Brushing and combing the hair;

6 (2) Applying shampoo and conditioner to the hair; and

7 (3) Rinsing the hair, including, without limitation, rinsing the
8 hair to remove shampoos, conditioners, tints, relaxers and other
9 solutions.

10 (b) Removing rollers, permanent rods, hairpins, clips or similar
11 hair fasteners from the hair.

12 (c) *Drying the hair with a blow dryer.*

13 (d) *Using a thermal curling iron procedure on the hair.*

14 (e) Cleaning and disinfecting the shampoo bowl.

15 2. The term does not include any other activity set forth in the
16 definition of “cosmetologist” pursuant to NRS 644A.030 or the
17 definition of “hair design” pursuant to NRS 644A.090 other than
18 the activities expressly set forth in subsection 1.

19 **Sec. 2.** NRS 644A.375 is hereby amended to read as follows:

20 644A.375 1. The Board shall admit to examination for a
21 certificate of registration as a shampoo technologist, any person who
22 has applied to the Board in proper form and paid the fee, and who:

23 (a) Is not less than 16 years of age.

24 (b) Is of good moral character.

25 (c) Has successfully completed the 10th grade in school or its
26 equivalent.

27 (d) Satisfies at least one of the following:

28 (1) Training of at least ~~{50}~~ 20 hours in a licensed school of
29 cosmetology as a student of the occupation of a cosmetologist or
30 hair designer;

31 (2) Training of at least ~~{50}~~ 20 hours in a licensed school of
32 cosmetology in a curriculum prescribed by the Board by regulation;

33 (3) Training of at least ~~{50}~~ 20 hours which is administered
34 online by the Board in a curriculum prescribed by the Board by
35 regulation; or

36 (4) Has had practice as a full-time licensed shampoo
37 technologist for 1 year outside this State.

38 2. The Board may charge a fee of not more than \$50 to
39 administer the training described in subparagraph (3) of paragraph
40 (d) of subsection 1.



1 3. A certificate of registration as a shampoo technologist is
2 valid for 2 years after the date on which it is issued and may be
3 renewed by the Board upon good cause shown.

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