## **SENATE BILL 1247**

## By Akbari

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 3 and Title 62, Chapter 4, relative to professions.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 62-4-117, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(h)

- (1) If a licensee fails to renew a license on or before its expiration date, the board may, in its discretion, renew the license upon application within two (2) months of the expiration date. The application must be accompanied by the prescribed fee as set by the board. A person seeking to renew a license later than two (2) months after its expiration must reapply for licensure. The board may, in its discretion:
  - (A) Waive reexamination or additional education requirements for the applicant; or
  - (B) Reinstate a license subject to the applicant's compliance with reasonable conditions that the board may prescribe, including payment of an additional reasonable fee to be set by the board.
- (2) Subdivision (h)(1) applies to persons who, at the time of the person's failure to renew the license:
  - (A) Are in good standing with the board; and
  - (B) Have been licensed to practice cosmetology in this state for thirty (30) or more years.

- (3) Subdivision (h)(1) does not apply to licenses required under §§ 62-4-120 and 62-4-121.
- (4) Except as otherwise provided, this subsection (h) applies to a cosmetologist, aesthetician, manicurist, natural hairstylist, or barber.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of promulgating rules, this act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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