STATE COSMETOLOGY AND BARBER BOARD

- Combines the State Board of Cosmetology and the Barber Board into the State Cosmetology and Barber Board.
- Increases several cosmetology law fees the Board may charge subject to a limit, changes other cosmetology law fees from a set fee to a fee that may not exceed the continuing fee amount, and requires the Board to adjust the fees every two years, subject to those limits, to provide sufficient revenues to meet expenses.

Merger of the Cosmetology and Barber Boards

(R.C. Chapter 4709. and 4713.; repealed R.C. 4709.04, 4709.06, 4709.26, and 4709.27; Sections 120.10 to 120.12 and 515.40; conforming change in R.C. 107.56 and 125.22)

The act combines the Barber Board and the State Board of Cosmetology into the State Cosmetology and Barber Board, effective January 21, 2018. Under prior law the Barber Board had three members and the State Board of Cosmetology had 11 members. The act combines the membership of the two boards, adding two barbers to the membership of the State Board of Cosmetology, an employer barber and an employee barber. The act permits the Governor to remove any member of the Board for cause.

On January 21, 2018, the Barber Board is abolished and all of its powers, duties, assets, and employees are transferred to the State Cosmetology and Barber Board. Between January 21, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Executive Director of the combined Board may establish, change, and abolish positions of the Board and assign, reassign, classify, reclassify, transfer, reduce, promote, or demote all Board employees who are not subject to the Public Employees Collective Bargaining Law. This authority includes assigning or reassigning an exempt employee to a bargaining unit classification, but includes provisions if the new position is in a lower classification. These actions are not subject to appeal to the State Personnel Board of Review.

In addition, the Barber Board may establish a retirement incentive plan for eligible employees of the Barber Board who are members of the Public Employees Retirement System. The plan must remain in effect until January 20, 2018.

Under the act, anywhere the State Board of Cosmetology or State Barber Board is used, that terminology should be replaced with the State Cosmetology and Barber Board or the Executive Director of the State Cosmetology and Barber Board depending on the context. Similarly, anywhere Executive Director of the State Board of

Cosmetology or State Barber Board is used, that terminology should be replaced with the Executive Director of the State Cosmetology and Barber Board.

Cosmetology Law fees

(R.C. 4713.10)

Continuing law permits the Board to charge a variety of fees. For some of these fees, the act establishes that the statutory amount is the ceiling for that fee. For other fees, the act increases the amount the Board may charge, subject to a ceiling. The returned check fee remains unchanged.

The fees that potentially increase under the act are as follows:

Type of fee	Prior fee	Under the act
Temporary pre-examination work permit	\$7.50	Not more than \$15
Initial application to take an examination	\$31.50	Not more than \$40
Application to take an examination - applicant previously applied but did not show up to take the examination	\$40	Not more than \$55
Application to retake examination - applicant previously failed the examination	\$31.50	Not more than \$40
Issuance of a practicing license, advanced license, or instructor license	\$45	Not more than \$75
Renewal of a practice license, advanced license, instructor license, or reciprocal license	\$45	Not more than \$70
Issuance of a salon license	\$75	Not more than \$100
Change the name or ownership of a salon license	\$75	Not more than \$100
Renewal of a salon license	\$60	Not more than \$90
Issuance of a duplicate of a license	\$20	Not more than \$30

For the following fees, the act does not increase the statutory fee but limits the amount that the Board may charge to *not more than* that amount:

Type of fee	Сар
Issuance of a reciprocal license	\$70
Issuance or renewal of a cosmetology school license	\$250
Lapsed renewal fee for restored practicing, advanced, or instructor license	\$45 per license renewal period

Type of fee	Сар
Prepare and mail licensee records to another state	\$50

Under the act, the Board must adjust the fees every two years within the limits established above in order to provide sufficient revenue to meet its expenses.

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