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H.B. No. 1821

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the education requirements to obtain certain manicurist and manicurist specialty licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1601.257(b), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) An applicant for a manicurist license must:

(1) be at least 17 years of age;

(2) have completed the seventh grade or the equivalent of the seventh grade;

(3) have completed a commission-approved training program consisting of 300 [~~600~~] hours of instruction in manicuring; and

(4) submit the required fee with the application.

SECTION 2. Section 1601.262, Occupations Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(c) An applicant who qualifies under Subsection (b)(3)(B) must:

(1) be at least 17 years of age and have completed the seventh grade or its equivalent; and

(2) have completed:

(A) 600 [~~900~~] hours of instruction in a barber technician/manicurist curriculum in a commission-approved training

1 program; or

2 (B) 300 [~~600~~] hours of instruction in a manicure
3 curriculum and 300 hours of instruction in a barber technician
4 curriculum in a commission-approved training program.

5 (d) Of the 600 hours of instruction required by Subsection
6 (c)(2)(A), not more than 300 hours may be in the manicurist portion
7 of the curriculum.

8 SECTION 3. Section 1602.256(b), Occupations Code, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 (b) To be eligible for a manicurist specialty license, an
11 applicant must:

12 (1) be at least 17 years of age;

13 (2) have obtained a high school diploma or the
14 equivalent of a high school diploma or have passed a valid
15 examination administered by a certified testing agency that
16 measures the person's ability to benefit from training; and

17 (3) have completed 300 [~~600~~] hours of instruction in
18 manicuring through a commission-approved training program.

19 SECTION 4. Section 1602.261, Occupations Code, is amended
20 by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as
21 follows:

22 (c) An applicant who qualifies under Subsection (b)(3)(B)
23 must:

24 (1) either:

25 (A) have obtained a high school diploma or a high
26 school equivalency certificate; or

27 (B) have passed a valid examination administered

1 by a certified testing agency that measures the person's ability to
2 benefit from training; and

3 (2) have completed:

4 (A) 900 [~~1,200~~] hours of instruction in a
5 manicure/esthetics specialty curriculum in a commission-approved
6 training program; or

7 (B) 300 [~~600~~] hours of instruction in a manicure
8 curriculum and 750 hours of instruction in an esthetics curriculum
9 in commission-approved training programs.

10 (d) Of the 900 hours of instruction required by Subsection
11 (c)(2)(A), not more than 300 hours may be from the manicurist
12 portion of the curriculum.

13 SECTION 5. Sections 1601.257, 1601.262, 1602.256, and
14 1602.261, Occupations Code, as amended by this Act, apply only to an
15 application for a license filed on or after the effective date of
16 this Act. An application for a license filed before the effective
17 date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the
18 application was filed, and that law is continued in effect for that
19 purpose.

20 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.