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S.B. No. 1088

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to cosmetology licensing and sanitation requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Section 1602.254, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) A requirement under Subsection (b)(3) may be fulfilled, in whole or in part, by academic credit hours. The attribution of academic credit hours must be made in accordance with a formula, adopted by commission rule, that the commission determines fairly equates academic credit hours with clock hours of instruction.

SECTION 2. Section 1603.102, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1603.102. SANITATION RULES. (a) The commission shall establish sanitation rules to prevent the spread of an infectious or contagious disease.

(b) Rules adopted under this section applicable to an individual or facility regulated under Chapter 1602 shall be consistent with the standards and terminology related to safety and sanitation that are commonly used in the cosmetology industry.

SECTION 3. Section 1603.256(c), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) The following persons may administer a practical examination required under this subchapter:

- 1           (1) the department; [~~or~~]
- 2           (2) a person with whom the department contracts under
- 3 Section [1603.252](#); or
- 4           (3) a private beauty culture school or a vocational
- 5 cosmetology program in a public school licensed under this chapter
- 6 or Chapter [1602](#).

7           SECTION 4. The change in law made by this Act to Section  
8 [1603.256](#)(c), Occupations Code, applies to an examination  
9 administered on or after the effective date of this Act. An  
10 examination administered before the effective date of this Act is  
11 governed by the law in effect on the date the examination was  
12 administered, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

13           SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.