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By:  Turner of Tarrant, Metcalf, et al. H.B. No. 2843

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2843:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the examinations required for a barbering or cosmetology license.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 1603.252(a), Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a)  The department may accept, approve, develop, or contract for the examinations required by this chapter, including the administration of the examinations.

SECTION 2.  Section 1603.255, Occupations Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 1603.255.  EARLY EXAMINATION.  The department may allow for the early written examination of a student who has completed the following number of hours of instruction in a department-approved training program:

(1)  1,000 hours for a student seeking a Class A barber certificate [~~or operator license~~] in a private barber [~~or cosmetology~~] school; [~~or~~]

(2)  900 hours for a student seeking a Class A barber certificate [~~or operator license~~] in a publicly funded barber [~~or cosmetology~~] school; or

(3)  1,000 hours, including 150 hours in sanitation and safety, for a student seeking an operator license in a private beauty culture school or a public secondary or postsecondary beauty culture school.

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)  the department; [~~or~~]

(2)  a person with whom the department contracts under Section 1603.252;

(3)  a barber school, private beauty culture school, or public secondary or postsecondary beauty culture school that is approved by the department to administer the examination under Section 1603.252; or

(4)  the Windham School District.

SECTION 4.  The changes in law made by this Act to Section 1603.255, Occupations Code, apply only to a person who applies to take an early examination for a barbering or cosmetology license on or after the effective date of this Act. A person who applies to take an early examination before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the person applies, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 5.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.