

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LICENSING & ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

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COMMENTS FOR: HB 1560

Kristi Foret

self teacher

League City, TX

AGAINST. Oppose the bill as it is filed, as it eliminates the Cosmetology Operator License, which is needed for teaching Cosmetology!! Not everyone who earns a cosmetology operator license knows how to teach...Cosmetology Instructors go through a rigorous process to be trained on multiple disciplines and subjects to be able to teach to today's learners. Eliminating the instructor licenses does so much harm to the future generation of the beauty industry!

Lisa Karr, Director of Career and Technical Education

CTAT

Bedford, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." I believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry and the cosmetology programs in the public schools.

Francine Cohen

AISD

Humble, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." Teaching cosmetology is completely different from being a cosmetologist. Training is required to, not only understand the sciences, but also to relate the sciences to students. The instructors course is essential!

Amanda Necessary

self

Belton, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. This is insulting and a disgrace to professionals. Would you let just anyone potentially ruin your or your family member's hair, skin or nails? The answer is no. We go to people that we know and are trained so that they do not burn our hair up or worse. I cannot believe this is even a thing and being argued. Shameful.

Kirstyn Hart

self as a consumer

Garland, TX

As a consumer and a citizen, I believe it is essential for cosmetologists, barbers, hair stylists, nail techs, etc. to be licensed in

order to operate. It is the bare minimum to show the consumer that this person has had some legitimate training and proficiency in their craft. Y=

Chera Hurst

self

Fort Worth, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Lisa Gibbs

Cosmetology

Royse City, TX

The cosmetology and barber instructor license is necessary for future cosmetologist to become successful. As a cosmetology instructor we have to learn so much information in school in order to be successful in our profession.

Sandra De la garza

Self, Cosmetology Instructor

Edinburg, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. How can it be expected for this industry to run properly if not taught by licensed instructors. As an instructor, we teach each any every content of the requirements to abide by the safety and sanitation to protect the patron and the stylist. Also, an instructor has the appropriate knowledge in knowing teaching methods that are very much required when delivering instruction. One thing is knowing the content (having experience as a cosmetologist) another is knowing how to teach it.

Vicki Smith

Self

Belton, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I would not trust a hair dresser who had not been trained.

Kerry Howard

Self-Licensed Cosmetology Insrtructors

Arlington, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I have worked hard -m 30 years behind the chair. it is required for High school teachers to have a degree-- what makes us any different?

Nichole Bush

LG Cosmetology

La Grange, TX

"oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses."

Debbie Smith

Self- CTE Director at Lubbock-Cooper ISD

Lubbock, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are imperative to developing the professionals that are needed in this industry. We teach cosmetology at the high school level and it should NOT be watered down by eliminating the required license at the end of the course.

KIMBERLY HILL

self

Palestine, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I personally feel that you need to be a licensed instructor with the state to be able to teach this profession to the students entering the Cosmetology/Barber Field!

Dayman Whittenbug, Mr.

TIVA

Mineral Wells, TX

Against this bill

Thomas Veltri

Harlandale ISD

San Antonio, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Cosmetology and barber instructors are crucial to public career and vocational programs across the state, and this dissolution would create a gaping hole in the education of thousands of secondary students, and thereby deny many graduates the opportunity for immediate entry into a well-paying career after high school.

Kristi Ramsey, Principal

Navasota ISD

Navasota, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I support the need for these licenses.

Randy Hudson

CTE Teachers

Belton, TX

I am against the passage of this bill.

April Heath

Keller Center for Advanced Learning

Keller, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. It is imperative that a cosmetology operator learn how to TEACH their craft and not only DO. We are like any other teacher who has to go through school. Why can't English teachers teach without training?? Because we all learn strategies to use in our classroom.

Kursten Garcia

Cosmetology

Crowley, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Dena Mizell

Self. High school law enforcement teacher

Magnolia, TX

Keep these courses available to our students.

Reagan McIntyre

self --cosmetology

Alvarado, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses."

Sheree Davis

Self/Cosmetology Instructor

Fort Worth, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." I believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry, as one who was trained by an instructor and as one who teaches students in a public cosmetology program. Safe uses and practices taught in the application of chemicals such as color, permanent waving, chemical relaxer, haircutting techniques, nail services, and general sanitation, disinfection education is necessary in keeping the public safe and helps ensure satisfaction of the outcomes of such services.

Elaine Baker, Associate Professor

Self

Alvin, TX

Do not allow the instructors license to be deregulated. We need our students taught by licensed professionals only

Mario Palacios, Teacher

Weslaco High School

Weslaco, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Crissy Johnson

Self/Cosmetology

Godley, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Keyla Hernandez

Self/Cosmetology

Joshua, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Katelynn Metts

Self Cosmetology

Joshua, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

bethany denson

cosmetology

palestine, TX

I opposed to this bill.

Jordan Norwood

Self- Texas Cosmetology Instructor

deport, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I worked extremely hard for my Instructor of Cosmetology license. In the Instructor program I was taught so many things about teaching I did not know. Yes by having already obtained my cosmetology operator license I was well educated in the industry skills to be successful, but not in the skills or knowledge to teach the subject matter. If I had been allowed to step into a classroom without first obtaining my

Instructor of Cosmetology license, I would not be able to teach my students at the capacity I am now. It would be a true disservice to our future students to be educated by someone who isn't willing to go through a true Instructor course and earn the right to teach them properly. It has nothing to do with knowing the content of the course, and everything to do with understanding different learning styles, as well as the special needs of many students each instructor 'WILL' come in contact with.

Victoria Josey

Self

Kingwood, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Diana Ferguson

Self

Austin, TX

I am a retired cosmetology instructor of a public school. However, I still carry a Texas Cosmetology Instructors License. I worked very hard to earn this license 44 years ago, I will continue to do so. I just renewed this last month. I took my continuing education hours and paid the \$75 dollars to renew. I can't believe that the state of Texas would give up this revenue! Besides that, not everyone can teach, simply being a licensed cosmetologist is a completely different skill set than teaching students the basics of the profession such as hygiene and chemical safety. The Instructor License is not a duplicative credential.

Please reconsider this action. Without the Instructor License which currently 6,000 cosmetologists and barbers hold, many teachers of cosmetology and barbering will have no training in how to teach those courses in high schools, community colleges, and private beauty schools.

I am against this.

Michael Howard

Self, CTE Instructor

College Station, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. What's next eliminating electrician and plumbing licenses?

Sammilu Harrison, Principal

Anderson HS - Austin ISD

Cedar Creek, TX

I am completely opposed to this bill because it eliminates the licensing requirements for Cosmetologists and Barbers. It is dangerous and unsafe for individuals to be working in these vocations without proper knowledge of sanitation, human anatomy, virus and disease indicators, chemical knowledge for hair color, treatments, etc. Please continue to support people receiving advanced training to make our cosmetologists and barbers safe for customers.

Shanna Wood-Casey

Cosmetology Instructors in Public Schools (CIPS), Texas Industrial and Vocational Association (TIVA)

BELTON, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are a necessary step to becoming prepared to effectively teach the art and science of cosmetology and barbering. As you know, being proficient in a trade and knowing how to teach that trade are two very different things. I understand that the author of the bill raised concerns that an instructor's license creates a barrier to entrance into the industry, however with that train of thought anyone with an english or math degree could teach without a content area or pedagogy test; both of which are necessary to become a public school teacher in the state of Texas. I am a public school cosmetology teacher and I hold a Operator Instructors License as well as an Career and Technical Education (8-12 grade) teaching certificate. Not every cosmetology instructor in the state of Texas works in public education and private school instructors are not required to obtain any additional certification to teach, the Instructor's license is vital in preparing a cosmetologist or barber to teach the content.

Pamela Hamilton

Texas High ISD

Texarkana, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. This is a great program for students to be ready to enter the workplace.

Jessica McBride

Slaton ISD Cosmetology School

Slaton, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Melissa Felan

Self

Eagle Pass, TX

HB 1560 will be a devastation for the beauty industry. Being said, I feel that it is not a good idea to remove or instructor license. We are educated to be able to give these students the career of their dreams. It is crucial to offer a program that will prepare the students for a safe and well-established career.

Savannah Rodriguez

Self, Cosmetologist, Cosmetology Instructor

Elsa, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

DeAndrae Morrison

Palestine high school

Palestine tx, TX

Im am opposed to this bill as it is filed , because it eliminates the cosmetology instructor license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and if this bill passes im scared of what future of my industry will look like. Imagine going to the to the doctor and your doctor isn't licensed and your really sick and your life is on the line they wouldn't know what to do because they never studied nothing and didn't go to school for it so there basically just practicing on you because they don't know anything.

Eduardo Lugo

self

Los Fresnos, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Yvette Lopez

Self

Elsa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses, which will affect the future of the cosmetology and barber industry in the most negative way.

beth denson

cosmetology

palestine, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and-if this bill passes, I'm scared of what the future of my industry will look like. There is much more to teaching cosmetology than just knowing how to cut hair. You must know the business and emotional part of it all and be able to explain it well. There are many more things you have to know that you won't know without an instructors license. Therefore this bill should not be passed.

Emma Morris

Palestine High School Cosmetology

Palestine, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and if the license is eliminated, as a student my learning would be curved tremendously. I'm scared of what the future of my industry will look like. Imagine going to a tattoo artist to get a tattoo but said artist never had to get his license. You wouldn't want to put yourself at risk getting performed on unprofessionally. I'm asking you to take some consideration on what an actual cosmetologist student thinks.

Makayla Phillips

Cosmetologist

Jacksonville, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of

cosmetology and if this bill passes I am scared of what the future of my industry will look like. Imagine going to a doctor and he or she has never been to medical school, I'm not putting my life in his or her hands. We need trained professionals in our job industries.

KIMBERLY HILL

PALESTINE HIGH SCHOOL COSMETOLOGY

Palestine, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I think being a licensed instructor is critical to the industry! Imagine if you were to be taught by someone who had no training? Would you go to a doctor that didnt have to do a residency? Would you want someone teaching your child at school that didnt hold a teaching certificate? Would you want someone teaching you how to do something because they learned it on their own? Chemicals alone need to be taught by someone trained! There is more to teaching Cosmetology as an Instructor than just knowing how to do hair! You have to know how to know how to satisfy the needs of the State too!

Rick Bough

Self

New Braunfels, TX

The sunseting of the Cosmetology and Barbering Instructors licenses will negatively impact instruction for future Cosmetology and Barbering students, as instructors will not have the pedagogical training necessary for good instruction. Additionally, it is a slap in the face to those already licensed who spent significant time and money to earn that distinction.

Jacqueline Carrejo

Self

Weslaco, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Kavellia Goffney

Cosmetology/ TDLR

Humble, TX

Please do Not dissolve license that are needed. We need to continue the education of this program.

Sharnnetta Goins

Cosmetology

La Marque, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Brenda Aguilar, CTE Teacher

Self

San Benito, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Juanita Bautista

Self

Mercedes, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

James Douglas

Kenedy ISD

Kenedy, TX

I am a Teacher, Police Officer and an Elected City Councilor. I oppose this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. We need high quality education across the board in Texas and by eliminating these instructors licenses, it undermines education and opens the door for improper training. If we want to ensure high quality education and training in Texas, then we must keep all instructor licenses across the board, not eliminate them.

Sheila Goolsbee

self High school Cosmetology Teacher

BEAUMONT, TX

Please consider the fact that a cosmetologist and a barber has to to be knowledgeable and skilled in the field of cosmetology, and we are the ones who are working in schools and training programs that prepare students for these occupations

Jasmine Diaz

Self

Elsa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Patricia Sanders

Alvin ISD

Fresno, TX

This bill is not worthy of the Cosmetology Industry, it is a disservice to students all over Texas and for what? Jobs will be lost and student loans will still be due on the education received to accomplish the goals of many, not few. This bill will cause undo harm for generations to come in the form poor public health. Let us put aside the ability to be taught a craft and think about the spread of harmful bacteria and disease in the salon setting. Who will teach the future craftsmen disinfection and sanitation? Lest we forget we are smack dap in the middle of a pandemic? I would just like to know the reasoning behind the attack on our industry. Is it money, clout or just plain ole' MONEY and control?

Samantha Flores

Self

Elsa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Gary Evans, CTE Coordinator

Huntsville ISD

Huntsville, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Without qualified, licensed instructors how are we going to have qualified, licensed operators.

Mary Maney, Teacher

San Benito High School

SAN BENITO TX 78586, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Students who are applying for their own certification will be ineligible if their instructions are not licensed and certified.

Kelsey Holeman

Self

Lubbock, TX

It is necessary for us as Instructors and stylists to have licenses because we do deal with patrons on a daily basis and you have to have proper training in order to make sure that everyone stays healthy and follows safety guidelines to keep other people from getting sick. Its not just about the hair cut. Its about having the knowledge to protect other people from infections and diseases.

Belinda Perkins

Cosmetology Instructor

Nederland, TX

Keep the licensing for instructors

Brittany Guerrero

Self

Edcouch, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Caroline Englestad

Self

Midland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Latashia Dougar, Licensed Cosmetology Instructor

Aldine Sr. High School

Houston, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Jessica Lira

Self

Elsa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Rachel Lovelady

Self - Cosmetology Operator/Instructor

San Antonio, TX

I oppose the bill that eliminates the Cosmetology and Barber License. It is a sad situation when our licenses are diminished due to few individuals that do not find it essential to hold a professional license in the field of Cosmetology. For one Infection control is one of the primary reasons why it is important that an individual must carry a license in this field to protect all clients as well as ourselves in the spread of any infectious disease. By properly maintaining required licenses to make professionals responsible and accountable for the protection of all people. Have we not learned anything from COVID 19 and the importance of Infection control for the protection of all!

Every student that is in a cosmetology program must uphold and respect the license they have worked so hard to obtain. Take that away from those that really care, to allow anyone to practice in the field without knowledge, education and the importance of customer service and care, will take away from the license we hold dear as professionals. If a License is soon to be not a requirement, each individual that have paid the price of holding a professional cosmetology license should be reimbursed by the individuals in the Texas sunset committee that want to do away with our licenses.

Lilia Annette Salazar

Self Cosmetology Instructor

Crystal City, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Look at social media and the huge mistakes that these people make others do not knowing the fundamentals of hair or what happens to the hair when chemicals are being used.

Sandra Mata

Self

Edcouch, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Jamie Hunsucker

College of the Mainland, Human Service Careers Department

Texas City, TX

I have been a licensed Cosmetologist since 1983, and a licensed Cosmetology Instructor since 1992. I take great pride in these accomplishments. I have worked my entire life in this industry. The training one receives for the instructor license has very little to do with the skills of Cosmetology. It is about teaching, understanding learning styles, motivating students, communication, instilling safety procedures, developing presentations and lesson plans in a way that students can understand. Just because someone is successful as a Cosmetologist or Barber, does not insure they can teach. I have seen this many times as the Chair and hiring agent for my department. Many accomplished cosmetologists have tried to become educators and failed due to poor communication and presentation skills. Rather than deregulating these licenses, perhaps require a more stringent curriculum. Community colleges generally require a degree as well as a license, this raises the competence of instructors. In turn, better prepared professionals enter the industry. During this pandemic, this industry understood how to keep clients and themselves safe due to the training received in school. Sanitation and safety precautions are extremely important in protecting the public. Strong instructors are needed to instill these skills into new professionals. Please do not deregulate these licenses, it will put the public in danger of having poorly taught professionals providing services.

Cindy Black

Self

Seminole, TX

Cosmetologists and barbers need schooling for their licenses. Please do not remove the license procedures!

Sharonda Williams

Bryan High School Cosmetology

Bryan, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." As a Cosmetology teacher in a high school for 15 years, I have continued my education. I have shared this with my students which in turn motivates them to continue to want to educate themselves to want to go to a trade school or colleges. Yes I have my cosmetology license but I went steps farther, cosmetology instructor license and teacher's certification to teach in high school.
PLEASE DON'T PASS PLEASE OPPOSE.

Betty Voyles Voyles, cosmetology instructor

"self"

Iowa Park, TX

Why would you do this? Good teachers should be licensed. You are taking away from our professionalism. NO!! don't do this.

Mary Garza

NISD High School

katy, TX

I "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

We need License instructors to teach cosmetology due to the fact they are educated on all the cosmetology laws and Tdlr Regulations.

We have to protect our students and the public from potential hazards and health situations. We are Cosmetology with out Professional License Cosmetology Teachers noone would care about passing diseases along to the students or public. No one would care about the Truth as to why we sanitize and disinfect after each client.

Patricia Diggles

Self Teacher

Humble, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminate the cosmetology & barber instructor licenses.

Christopher King

"Self" Barber/ Cosmetology Instructor

Houston, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Not only will this take away many jobs for individuals it will also increase negligence within the field due to people not being properly trained. Currently with the state of the world and texas within itself, without having proper training not only in services but with infection control we are now letting people who aren't trained properly to service the general public during this pandemic we are in. The bottom line it will be harm than good.

When we also talk about combining the Barber and Cosmetology Programs together would also be unwise to do. Both programs do teach all of the same content and the method of how the content is taught is completely different. Merging both programs will create confusion with the industry.

Roshanda McClain, Cosmetology Instructor

Sam Houston MSTC

houston, TX

I strongly believe this shouldn't passed. its very important that Instructor license should be licensed to teach in public, private or post secondary school. Im licensed Cosmetology Instructor that had to attend college to attained license and certification to be successfully in this industry. Its not fair to teacher that went to school its very important to completed school to be more effectively for Cosmetology industry.

Marty Rodriguez, Mr.

Cosmetology/myself

Laredo, TX

The cosmetology instructor or barber instructor should not be removed or deleted... due it requires to identify individuals in their perspectives profession...and instructor is a person that may teach cosmetology due the person is prepared by taking the

instructor's course and taken the proper examination to qualified the person to teach.....as a high school cosmetology instructor... the license is required to say..instructor.. if you eliminate the instructor you will be hurting is and we will hit for unemployment...

Reese Meadow

Self

Beaumont, TX

I believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry and I oppose the bill HB1560, because the instructor must have at least 1 to 2 years experience in their field of cosmetology /Barber and or take the instructor course of 500/750 hours and complete college credits of teaching methods to obtain instructor licenses." According to the Texas Cosmetology Laws and Rules book there is a instructor curriculum 83.120 (C) that outlines what knowledge the instructor must have and what student should/ have obtained from their instructor. Safety, sanitation and application procedures required by state 83.100 -120 are followed by the instructors and taught to student for the protection of the client's safety. Let's remember Not just anyone can do hair and do it properly without being instructed by someone that is licensed in the field of Cosmetology/Barbering.

Dalia Vazquez

self/CTE cosmetology instructor

Houston, TX

I have been a Cosmetology Instructor for over 15 years, I believe that my industry is being threaten by manipulating the licensing requirements. Not everyone is a cosmetology teacher, there is a difference between a trainer who focuses on teaching a certain topic and an Instructor of Cosmetology who teaches everything including the most important thing in our field infection control and sanitation. When COVID19 hit we knew how to direct our students to have the knowledge needed to sanitize and disinfect as we do everyday in the school and at the salons. the removal of the instructor license will create a situation that is non-precedent to our field where everyone that has knowledge of a subject will be passed as an instructor. I am against this ruling.

Sylvia Wall, Cosmeology Instructor

SBCISD San Benito High School CATE Dept.

Harlingen, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are crucial to our professional industry. Proper training and compliance with state mandated safety & sanitary procedures allow us to keep the public safe and distinguish us as professionals in our industry. I, myself have taught the course for the Cosmetology, Manicuring, and Esthetician Instructor programs, and know first-hand that there are techniques and procedures involved in the course that enable a licensed professional to prepare appropriate lessons for their future students, to include theoretical, practical (hands on), business related (entrepreneurship), and salon skills. I sincerely hope that this will be carefully thought through, and that our industry will be taken seriously, as it should. I have had the privilege of being in this career since 1994, and it has been one of the most rewarding for both myself, and my family. To diminish the value and ongoing continuing education that is required of a licensed instructor would take away not only from the individual, but also any future cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, and most primarily, the client who will possibly suffer at the hands of these poorly trained individuals who did not receive sufficient training from a licensed professional.

Bryanna May

Self

Elsa, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Cesar Garcia
Vanguard Academy
Pharr, TX

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SANDRA BRISTOW, RN
TEXAS COSMOTOLOGY INSTRUCTORS
Palestine, TX

To work with and place governed chemicals and sterilization processes in the hands of unlicensed individuals is reckless at best. If this passes, dog groomers and fast food workers will have higher training standards.

Dandra Hamlyn
Self
Wilson, TX

If I am paying for someone to cut my hair I would expect that they have the proper training and the proper licensing to do so. This Bill would drastically change how CTE programs are run in Texas High Schools. Vote against this bill. We need to give our kids a working trade that they can be successful at.

CHARLES KEESE III, CTE Department Chair
Pecos High School
Pecos, TX

I strongly oppose the lifting of licensing requirements for cosmetologists and barbers. Not only are these skilled trades that take significant schooling and training to perform properly, there must be regulation and oversight over the facilities to maintain safe and sanitary conditions for the clients. These are skilled trades. Just because someone has clippers, scissors and a comb doesn't mean they have the skills and knowledge to use the chemicals, solvents and other materials used by licensed cosmetologists and barbers on a daily basis. If nothing else, think about what happened last March. Salons and barbershops were the first businesses to be locked down and the last to be opened. Most chairs are 6 feet apart or more, so social distancing would not be a problem. The problem is the tools and facilities must be kept in a safe and sanitary condition to avoid infections and spreading of disease and other problems (lice, etc.). Unlicensed salons with no oversight create a serious health risk for our neighbors. Please continue the licensing requirement for this and most other skilled trades.

Theodora Rojas
Self/ Teacher
Harlingen, TX

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and distinguish professionals in the industry.

Demonica Jones

Royal High School/CTE

magnolia, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." They should feel free to elaborate on why they believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry.

Christine Mendez

Whiteface High School

Whiteface, TX

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Priscilla Ponce

Self

Weslaco, TX

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Steve Strahan

Travel Cuts

Houston texas, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed

Brenda Drawdy

TIVA - Cosmetology teachers of Texas

COPPERAS COVE, TX

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Crystal Torres

Cosmetology

SAN ANTONIO, TX

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Esmeralda Sanchez

Self

Elsa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Tracy Deitzel

Keller Advance Learning Center

North Richland Hills, TX

Licensed cosmetologist must have a license, injury is happening to the public with a license by uneducated stylist. Uneducated persons can and will do so much more damage.

Amanda Ermis, Teacher

Huntsville ISD

Huntsville, TX

I oppose this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licensing programs that prepare students to enter the workforce immediately after graduation.

Elena Rodriguez

Edcouch-Elsa High School

Edcouch, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Jessica Frost

NISD CTE

San Antonio, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

LUZ CABALLERO, TEACHER

Rivieside high school

El Paso, TX

I HAVE BEEN LICENSED FOR 43 YEARS. I OPPOSE THE BILL COMPLETELY AS IT WAS FILLED. ALL COSMETOLOGIST MUST BE MONITORED AND REGULATED TO PROTECT ALL OUR COMMUNITIES FROM INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND PRACTICES THAT COULD HARM OUR CUSTOMERS, FAMILY AND OUR OWN HEALTH. I TEACH MY STUDENTS TO TREAT THIS CAREER LIKE A MEDICAL TREATMENT PROCEDURE, WITH ALL THE CAUTION OF SAFETY AND SANITATION FIRST STRATEGIES ARE ELEMENTAL FOR THE MASTERING OF THE PRACTICUM. HOWEVER, NOTHING SUBSTITUTES THE ACQUIRED KNOWLEDGE OF ANATOMY, PHYSIOLOGY, INFECTION CONTROL, DISEASES, AND DISORDERS OF SKIN, HAIR, AND NAILS. ULTIMATELY OUR CAREER OF COSMETOLOGY LICENSE, NEEDS TO BE SUPPORTED AND RESPECTED BY ALL NOT MINIMIZED BY ANYONE. THANK YOU...

Debbie Crump

Deborah Crump,Cosmetology Operator Instructor

League City, TX

Eliminating the Cosmetology Operator Instructor's license will result in producing less professional Cosmetology Operators that will lack the needed knowledge in personal protection of sanitation along with the important skill base needed.

Carlos Gonzalez

Holmes Cosmo

San Antonio, TX

Cosmo here at Holmes High School is nothing but dedicated to students. This change would not be in the best interest of the students.

Daisy Herbert

Dallas independent district (cosmetology)

dallas, TX

I am currently in Cosmetology , I am looking forward to be a Cosmetology Instructor once I get my licensed which is next year . I would want you to vote no to the HB1560 because that's not okay to ,we need an instructor in order to learn and see things physically and socially. Without instructors you wouldn't be able to understand or do things in cosmetology unless you know someone who has have experience on it and someone who is a license cosmetologist.

Jenny Morgan

Self

Orange, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Mia Salinas, house bill 1560

school, instructor, self

dallas, TX

Dear senator model :

I am a highschool student currently from skyline high school, i am currently enrolled in the cosmetology cluster and planning to get my license to this profession. I vote to not abolish the Texas cosmetology instructor license; hose bill 1560. My reasoning is that it will bring a lot of difficulties along the way. Since we have a cosmetology instructor as a reason for them to teach us the foundation of what is needed to know, not just the basics. For example: if there's a client that wants to bleach her hair or color it a professional will have to test a strand of hair to see how the chemical will react in the hair. The harsh chemicals can lead to damaging the hair or even worst the hair falling off . In other words you can't learn that with just watching videos about it. That is why it is necessary for cosmetology instructors to teach us everything, not just how to do something. Resulting in leaving the client happy about her results and trusting that the cosmetic industry knows what they're doing and not going to mess up because they know everything about the fondation. Instructors are always necessary no matter what, people have different opinions but the majority of the people learn this way. There's no difference, just the topic that is being taught. If there's no more

cosmetology instructor, how are people going to know they're doing something wrong? A professional will tell you your mistakes and will help you fix them plus they clear any doubts you have . It's needed and prevents hazards from being made for those reasons I vote no to abolish HB 1560.

Sincerely : Mia Salinas

Angela Paredes

Dallas Independent School District Cosmetology Student

Dallas, TX

I am a cosmetology student at Dallas Independent School District. This bill was brought to my attention and is very concerning. This bill will not only increase unemployment rates, but as well the states cosmetology passing rate. These instructors are a necessity to the cosmetology program. They further our knowledge than what books and online articles do. I am currently taking online school and it's a struggle understanding work from behind a screen. I can only imagine what it's like learning cosmetology behind one. This is a hands on program and instructors are needed to guide us. It would be impossible to learn from pictures on a book and words on a screen. Instructors should constantly be there to provide us with the support and guidance to do a haircut, manicures, and etc. There the ones who watch our hand movement and make sure we're in the correct position. A book or screen could never do that. Instructors are need to further our knowledge and provide us with the support and guidance to pass. This will not only keep the states passing rates constant, but as well as provide jobs to those who are passionate about teaching cosmetology.

Patrick Brown

TIVA

Houston, TX

The regulation and licensing of Barbers and Cosmetologist is essential to the safety, growth, trust, etc. of the public, with service and continuing to allow these individuals/professionals to earn a living.

Adamaris Lopez, House Bill 1560

self

Dallas, TX

The Honorable Joe Biden

State Senate

P,O Box 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, Dc 20500

Dallas,Texas 75217

I am a highschool student from Dallas ISD. I'm currently enrolled in the Cosmetology cluster in my school in plans to get my cosmetology license by the time I finish high school. On behalf of my profession and your future voting constituents, myself included, i urge you to vote against House Bill 1560 as they propose to remove the need of a license in cosmetology. This act will let anyone touch someone's hair, face and nails without knowing what they're doing and this can cause serious problems. All of these services need to be done professionally and it needs to be and stay as a law. If this bill passes almost all instructors will lose their job. If this bill is passed now our salons will have dirty appliances and most likely people will get infected or sick. Therefore House bill 1560 shall not be passed.

Thank you for accepting and taking the time to hear my voice. Please respond to me and let me know your response.

Sincerely,

Adamaris Lopez
Dallas Independent School District
Adamaris021706@icloud.com

Hannah Parsley
Weatherford ISD
Fort Worth, TX

I urge you to keep the requirements of an instructor's license for our school barber and cosmetology programs. The training to manage students, plan curriculum, and adhere to program requirements by the district and state is not something to be taken lightly. Other teachers need certifications. Why would CTE programs not have similar requirements?

Shelly Elizalde
Self - CTE Director
Waller, TX

Please oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These are vital to the continuation of school programs of Cosmetology. These programs are so important to the education and preparation of youth for a future in the industry. We certify 25-30 students each year, and many are very successful with a lucrative career that is in demand in the state of Texas. Almost all of these students come from economically disadvantaged backgrounds and would not have had another option without this program. We NEED our cosmetology instructors in the state of Texas!!

Venus Ramirez
Nuvani Institute
Austin, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses, Instructors licenses are critical because this is specialized training we have received to teach the next generation in our industry, it takes alot more than cosmetology experience to teach a student, this is the equivalent to a regular person who is not a teacher teaching in high schools and colleges , the person teaching should have had advance education to know how to reach all learners Thank you for taking the time to read our concerns about this issue

Venus Ramirez

Michelle Turrey
Cosmetology instructors
El Paso, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licenses.

Naedely Perez
Cosmetology

El Paso, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. It is crucial that these licenses stay in place as it maintains safety and sanitation in the cosmetology facilities.

Rey Flores

Self Cosmetology Instructor

Crystal City, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Austin Stevens

“Self” cosmetology student

Rosharon, TX

I Austin Stevens oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I feel like you shouldn't revoke the cosmetology and barber instructors licenses because it prevents us cosmetology students from actually being taught what we need to be taught by an Instructor who went to additional school to be able to teach us the proper information we need to know so we are educated enough for a successful career in the cosmetology department.

Lindy Molinar

Alvinisd

alvin, TX

Please stop!!!!

Jailah Powell

Self Cosmetology Student

manvel, TX

I "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses, I feel like they should leave the bill alone because it would mess with students be able to be taught in class because they might not be a teacher.

Sara Villa

Self, Cosmetology and Barber instructor

SAN ANTONIO, TX

Elimination of licensing for educators in our industry is similar to hiring an electrician who did not have training on safety precautions. Would you trust someone who had no training on safety and sanitation, to perform a whole house rewire? Would you feel safe knowing that when you flipped the switch in your kitchen the light on your outside porch would flicker and hiss at you, probably not? Why would we want the safety of your hair, face, skin, and the knowledge of disorders transmitted through improper protocols to be eliminated? During this unprecedented time of exposure to a communicable virus, we need to ensure that those who will be educating our future stylists and barber do so with the utmost knowledge of proper disinfection and sanitation, for all patrons who visit a beauty and barber facility. Without proper training, implements may not be properly

sterilized, skin disorders and diseases could be transmitted through improper disinfection. Most of the training received in beauty or barber school is on safety and sanitation. When the nation was hit with this pandemic, all licensed hairstylist and barbers already had the proper training to prevent the spread, due to the training they received in school. When an individual enrolls in a beauty or barber school, they are taught to follow certain preparations and procedure to protect not only themselves but those who sit in their chair.

Elizabeth Bennett

Alvinisd

Alvin, TX

This house bill should not be placed because we need our education that we are in and you take it away that messes with everyone reputation

Kaylee Nunley

self, student

Alvin, TX

I oppose bill HB 1560 because I do not support the elimination of the cosmetology and barber instructor license.

Elizabeth Medina

Alvinisd

Alvin, TX

If you pass this bill I won't be able to get the right education for this program and my parents can not afford to send me to college this is my only chance to get a career

Lillee Allen

(self) Cosmetology Student

Manvel, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses and not everyone can teach, especially teach cosmetology. Eliminating these licenses would leave people jobless.

Mikayla Gibson

(self) Cosmetology Student

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I think you need the proper education to teach this profession and build successful cosmetologists, and eliminating this license will poorly effect that.

taylor barron, junior

self

Alvin, TX

DUMMMB

Eric Odom

Self, Cosmetology Student

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor.

Marlen Sanchez, student

alvinisd

Alvin, TX

As a cosmetology student I have a strong disagreement with what you are trying to do with the cosmetology license. There are thousands of people that have been cosmetologist for years that rely on their license for income. It is completely unfair that you want to control what we can't do with our license. It is even more fair to the people that have been cosmetologist for years that would have to make such big changes to their lives and would have to get another job in order to keep providing for themselves or others. It's really clear that you are doing this for money and nothing else. It's really brainless of you to think that it is ok to just take away people's license for nothing when they're already doing great on their own. The only reason that I am in cosmetology right now is to get my cosmetology license so that I can get my license, have my own business, and become my own boss and not have to work for other people. Passing the bill would be a complete waste of people's time and money including myself because I have been learning for this license for about a year now and plan on learning one more year and get my license. This is my passion and something that I truly enjoy and it would not be fair to take all I have joy for away from me.

Alyx Adamson

Alvin ISD

Pearland, TX

Greg,

I don't see how you think it's fair to take away our license that we have worked years to achieve. By stripping away the operators license many people will not be able to make money, any pay for basic needs . This will in turn cause a drop in the economic field, for Houston and could very much possibly ruin our economy as a whole seeing as how Texas is the 3rd biggest state in the USA. We are just the same as all other jobs, doing what we love and just happen to make money while doing it, which might be a feeling you don't know. By trying to strip away a teacher's license more and more people will end up like the gorilla glue girl, because there won't be any cosmetologist to tell them right from wrong because we won't have a teacher to educate us on all of these regulations and laws. I have been risking my health everyday by going to school to learn about cosmetology to hopefully one day be able to make a living to provide for my family, that's how much determination I have which should not be taken away from me. If you're planning on taking it away I'm guessing that you will be paying all these professionals back for all of their money used on supplies. YOUR NOT OH OK So then you should keep our cosmetologist community alive.

Celeste Mora

Cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

Hello, I am currently a student in the cosmetology program in the Dallas Independent School District. I will get my cosmetology

license this before this year ends. It has been brought to my attention of the HB 1560 that is currently in progress. I would like to suggest for you to not approve this bill, as in doing so it will really jeopardize the industry. I know there has been many other bills in the past wanting to change many things in our industry but this is one that really should not change. Our entire career depends on having hands on learning and having proper instruction time. Passing this bill will limit our knowledge and have our possibilities to be successful in the beauty industry. I strongly advice to you really put in thought into this as many people's health could be at stake, us as cosmetologist and our clients.

Yesenia Fierro, Junior

Alvin isd

Alvin, TX

This is something I enjoy doing so I would appreciate If you don't take the licensing away and plus I'm a student going face to face in the middle of the pandemic.

maria fonseca

alvinisd

alvin, TX

I disagree with yall allowing this bill to become a law it would affect us students and people who have a license and we all know that we dont want that for are future and if yall are doing it for monny is really disapointing twords yall

yamilette roman, junior

self

alvin, TX

DUMMMMMMMB

Ana Marie Hinojosa, Junior

Alvin isd

Alvin, TX

Being a Cosmetology is something I enjoy doing and I Would not like for you to take this away.

Faithlyn Peek

Self Cosmetology Student

Alvin, TX

I Faithlyn Peek, oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Cynthia Williams

Spring ISD

Spring, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Cosmetology and Barbering are viable careers where students can leave high school and make a substantial income to support themselves through college and or support a family.

Angela Henard, Cosmetology Instructor

CTE

willow park, TX

As a cosmetology Instructor at a High School program, I first handily know that extra education is a necessity for being a cosmetology instructor. I am responsible for running the entire cosmetology program here at my school. While getting my instructors license, I learned classroom management, teaching strategies, and how to deliver instruction of all the skills needed to be learned in beauty school. I also learned how to do the business and TDLR side of the job while in school. Running a school has more rules than working in a salon that need to be followed. I spent time and money on my education that I am proud of and show with my Instructor's License. I also spent my own money, \$8,000 for the program to get my instructor's license. The money is worth the education, but you will be abolishing what I worked hard for. I am a proud LICENSED Cosmetology Instructor. You may wonder, what could go wrong? As of now salon experience is a requirement to get your instructors license. If you take away those requirements you will have people who may not actually have the skills to perform services, let alone teach the services, be in charge of the education. I must ensure my students and myself are maintaining healthy and safe practices. I gained the experience working and education in school to ensure I am running a successful and safe cosmetology program. Deregulation is not the answer. We need standards and accountability in the Human Service fields to keep the public safe and in good hands.

Isabel De La Cruz, Mrs.

San Benito HS CTE

Brownsville, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Myah Reyes

Alvin Isd

houston, TX

Hello i'm 17 year old that disagree with this bill being pass because I suffer with financial problem and i worked two job to get class, and i will be very disappointed if i don't get my license and have to change my career path.

Aaliyah Southimath

"self" Cosmetology Student

Rosharon, TX

I, Aaliyah oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Us cosmetology students wouldn't get the proper education we need for this field and wont be successful in the future if we don't have have a licensed cosmetology instructor giving us the proper education we need.

Malachi Gaytan

Cosmetology and Barber Instructors License

Canutillo, TX

It eliminates the Cosmetology and Barber Instructors licenses.

kalina williamson

self cosmetologist

alvin, TX

I Kalina Williamson oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. taking away the license of cosmetologists not only allows anybody to work in the industry, but it also doesn't give students the school experience in getting their license.

Lauren Garcia

alvinisd

alvin, TX

please just leave cosmetologist aloe theres very little of us and yall dont realize how many people your affecting

Taylor McChesney-Fleming

self, cosmetology student

Rosharon, TX

I Taylor McChesney-Fleming, cosmetology student, oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Luz Fonseca

self cosmetology student

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I feel like Cosmetology and Barber should not be in a class together because there two different course to take and it doesn't go together because it will affect us at the end. We will need a instructor to focus on the main thing on Cosmetology not on two different classes like Cosmetology and Barber because there two different course.

Ahmari Means

self

Pearland, TX

I feel as though the decision to take away certified cosmetologists license would be a horrible decision. It would result in people who are uncertified doing other people's hair which is bad in all types of ways. Some people don't know the educational background to do hair properly which is why you need a license.

keanna nolasco

"self" cosmetology student

alvin, TX

I "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. This would affect us all because we need an actual instructor who be able to teach and help us focus on cosmetology instead of someone who does not know anything about this class/field. Also combining cosmetology and barbering would not be a great solution because we would not get the instructors full attention and help because they are trying to help us on two different classes.

Jordyn Black

Self Cosmetology Student

Pearland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses . These are needed in order to receive the proper amount of useful education and to also be capable of taking all the things you have learned to get your license and bring it into a salon and know exactly what you are doing. Also being able to explain to clients and others who are interested in full depth the steps for whatever it is that you are doing.

Janney Camacho

self/Cosmetology Student

Rosharon, TX

I oppose this house bill because it eliminates the cosmetology and barbering instructor licenses. Throughout the years, many students have worked so hard to get this far in class, just for it to be eliminated, and their hard work goes nowhere. People really want to learn in depth the different things in hair, skin, makeup, etc. but there won't be teacher to instruct them. Anyone will be able to do this, but won't really know how to go in depth and know the effects of certain things. Anything can go bad with people not knowing information of anything cosmetology related. Therefore, it is very important to keep cosmetology classes so students can get their education on something they really want to do and learn.

Wendy Morlaes

(self) cosmetology students

Rosharon, TX

I oppose the bill of as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instruction license. I oppose because I think that everyone who wants to be a cosmetologist or barber should have a license to work in a salon. I think that is important to have a license because if the barbers or the stylist don't do a great job you can sue them for the problem that they did to you. Also because it's not fair for those people that have their license already and for those who are still working to get their license, is not fair that they have work hard to get their license just to then decide that you don't need a license to be a barber or a cosmetology.

Martha Gonzalez, CTE Program Specialist

Spring ISD

Houston, TX

Removing licensing for something as significant as Cosmetology could lead to higher risks for consumers. Professionals in this line of work undergo a large amount of hours in reviewing sanitation protocols that should not be relaxed during COVID. Do not remove Cosmetology/Barbering from the TDLR.

Bill Caraway
Hereford High School
Hereford, TX

I oppose this bill based on the need to keep the quality of training for the service sector as high as possible. We relax far too many regulatory entities which leads to poor quality in many areas.

Ingrid Hajek
Cosmetology Teacher Hurst Euleless Bedford ISD
Keller, TX

Good morning

I hope you are doing well I oppose this bill because it will eliminate the the Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licensing. I feel that if the license to teach cosmetology is revoked this could not only be dangerous for potential clients but it would be a disservice to the students learning the craft. I am in the belief that it is one thing to be a cosmetologist an another thing altogether to teach in this field. I feel the quality of merging Cosmetologists would suffer greatly if this bill were to pass. I for one take great pride in teaching my student not just the basics of cosmetology but the importance of many other aspects related to the field. please reconsidered this bill myself and many many other Cosmetology teachers and Instructors have work hard to gain licenses and certifications to teach in their respective fields. To take that all away would be a disservice to many. I feel very passionately about delivering a true and structured education and feel that someone who has not worked to gain a license to teach may possibly not take it quite so seriously. please re-consider so we can maintain a measure of quality in this field I thank you for your time and consideration have a blessed day

Kind regards

Ingrid Hajek

Iris Rodriguez
SBHS
San Benito, TX

These licenses are crucial for the proper training of professionals to keep the public safe.

Stephanie Lindsey
Self - Division Chair Human Services & Hospitality, North Central Texas College, Gainesville, TX
Gainesville, TX

I highly oppose this bill as it was filed because it eliminates cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I would like you to consider an amendment including the requirement of an Instructor license for Cosmetology and Barbering schools. Without qualified instructors, the quality of student success will diminish. We stand in classrooms every day and teach. We should be required to have higher education and earn a license in our field to be able to teach others just as teachers of public and private institutions. Any person wanting to better themselves know that there is the expense of more education and time. It is not a burden. It is a privilege. It makes us proud to be qualified to train others. All teachers must go back to college and earn the right to become an educator. Please consider the education of thousands of hairstylists in the state of Texas and vote no to HB 1560 as it stands. Please amend this bill to include Instructor Licenses.

Sierra Cherryhomes

Self

Weatherford, TX

Getting rid of the learning process and all the schooling is horrible. People will go into the real world with no experience and mess people up, chemical burns, thermal burns, and sheer incidents, etc. We (cosmetologist in training) are learning about chemicals in products and how not to use them and learning correct ways of doing different services. We learn about fire hazards and different ways to handle them, if not learnt it could cause fires, people that have no book/behind the chair experience have a higher chance for fires and other dangerous situations. Don't abolish the thing I have spent lots of money and hundreds of hours doing.

Tricia Silva, Teacher

self/CTE teacher

Rio Hondo, TX

I am opposed to the bill as it is currently filed due to the fact that it eliminates the barber and cosmetology instructor licenses that are much need in the area for CTE instruction.

Dalia Vazquez

Self/CTE Cosmetology Instructor

Houston, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

MARVIN JOHNSON, Educator

Self

Temple, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Maliyah Chin

Self Cosmetology Student

Rosharon, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Without these licenses every license underneath would be pointless and anyone could claim to be a cosmetologist. This could cause many problems in the industry including consequences from chemical burns, in both hair and skin; also many clients would find themselves in the hands of stylist that are very well undertrained and underprepared. During the course of the pandemic many cosmetologist were taught the importance of infection control and how dirty implements can potentially infect clients. If instructor licensed were taken away there would be no one to teach cosmetology students the importance of infection control and how to prevent the spread of possible infection/diseases.

Lesli Morales

(self) Cosmetology Student

Rosharon, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses, and they are going to lose their jobs. It will affect cosmetologists and barbers and the persons that they want to study this industry and they are not going to have the same training as we did. Because some people don't know how to do the services and some people are not going to do a good job and just ruin your hair and they might not even disinfect or clean right. People are going to get sick or get infected from what other people had and you never know what other people had. They really need to study what is the requirement to be a cosmetologist and a barber.

Carolyn Jean Moncivais

Self, teacher at Bryan ISD

BRYAN, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. The concept that individuals do not need to be licensed to instruct in a field like cosmetology is flawed at best. All instructors for a field that requires a license itself, should have to pass a more rigorous standard than the one required to simply operate in a field. Practitioners run the gamut barely competent to skilled and knowledgeable in their field. You do not want the barely competent to be teaching others because this will degrade the standard of practice in the industry. Common sense would tell you that this field has impact on the health and safety of the individuals being served and instructors should be examined for their standard of knowledge and practice and subsequently licensed to teach.

catherine williams, Cosmetology Instructor

Catherine Williams Cosmetology Instructor

Tomball, TX

oppose this bill

Tasha Burnice

self

Spring, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Danna Farmer

self, licensed Cosmetology Instructor

Hico, TX

OPPOSE the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I received my instructor license years ago and have taught for many years. Several years ago we moved and I went into a salon for a year until I found another teaching job close to my home. While I was in the salon, I observed stylists that work very hard and do a great job. However, they did not have the necessary background knowledge to teach and inspire students. While they did a great job, they really weren't prepared or equipped to be an instructor. I do continuing education on teaching, that of which a stylist does not have to do. This would be the equivalent of a family practice doctor doing heart surgery. While the doctor probably has some knowledge of the procedure and might possibly do a good job, it is better suited for the heart surgeon.

jaylah spurlock

phs

palestine, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

rylie schwab

PHS

palestine, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Olivia Yopez

Self

Rio Hondo, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Clients deserve to have skilled professionals who have been trained in the techniques that they will be performing on their clients, and the professionals in the field of cosmetology deserve to have their licenses regarded as indispensable.

Jacqueline Correa

Cosmetology student in Dallas isd

Grand Prairie, TX

I'm a cosmetology student in the Dallas isd district. I am currently working on acquiring my license by the end of this school year. There for, the house bill 1560 was brought to my attention. It would affect the cosmetology industry in a negative way. Removing our instructions from our program will make it difficult for students like myself to fully understand a subject. Cosmetology is hands on industry where learning from a screen won't benefit any of the upcoming cosmetologist. Our instructors have been our main help of resource throughout the whole program. They have guide us through theory and explain in debt, something a computer wouldn't be able to do. During hands on practice they have corrected our positions and explain to us the importance of it. I believe the passing rate would drop low with out our instructors. Cosmetologist is actually a very important concept that could easily put clients life at risk when the knowledge is not there fully. Our instructors help us gain that knowledge and make it clear. During this pandemic we have been forced to practice online school and it's harder than expected not having a teacher present for any of my other classes makes it extremely difficult, now imagine a program where it's not just theory but also hands on.

Shelia Redmon-Jones, CTE Program Specialist

self/education administrator

HOUSTON, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are necessary to establish quality programs at the high school and postsecondary level. These career paths often lead to paths to financial independence and entrepreneurship for the diverse student populations served by many school districts.

Beatrice Gamez

Self

Grand Prairie, TX

Instructors need to be licensed.

juliana vazquez

self/cosmetology students

manvel, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. The bill would also affect the education of cosmetologist, they would not have the proper education to even know how to properly disinfect, which can turn out to a very messy situation such as the spread of diseases. The idea of combining cosmetology and barbering is also something that I don't agree on because it would not be organized and some students would not be ideal for students who want to just do barbering or just cosmetology. I also do not agree that we should allow to have cosmetology teachers teaching without a license, because the quality of education would not be the same with a person that has been trained to obtained a Barber or Cosmetology Instructor License.

Angel Grace

self/cosmetology student

fresno, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Without our cosmetology license anybody could claim to be a cosmetology student or stylist . This could really cause a lot of issues in the industry because it is so many unsanitary, unprofessional, undertrained and unprepared people that could potentially be able to saturate the industry.

Christina Hartsfield

Texas Chity Hign School

Seabrook, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." This class is import for students to gain hand-on experieince in the field of cosmetology and barber industry.

Patricia Orduna

self/cosmetology students

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license. Combining Cosmetology and Barbering together would be a bad idea because one teacher will not be able to teach both classes at the same time. The students would not get the proper knowledge and might get confused on what they are really learning about.

Echo White

self

weatherford, TX

I do not feel it is in the best interest to eliminate the licensure process for barbers and cosmetologists. That craft requires time, education, and practice. There are also health concerns, etc. that can be affected by that. A trained professional can identify these. Also eliminating licensure, eliminates the consumer's ability to a standard of services across practices as well as a way that the licensee can be held accountable.

Ramsey Roberts

Self - Speech Pathologist

SANTO, TX

As a licensed professional, I believe there is a need for cosmetologists to need to continue to maintain licensure. Personally, I want to know there are trained professionals who continue to uphold responsibility for the education they completed and their licensure. Time and money was spent for them to perfect their skills and doing away with licensing will discredit their field.

Gail Henard

Weatherford College

Willow park, TX

I'm against HB 1560 in regards to doing away with the cosmetology instructors license. Doing hair and teaching hair are two different things. As an instructor that teaches future instructors I can tell you that not all stylists are cut out to teach. It's amazing how much of the basics they've forgot. Also, some don't practice proper sanitation and that's something that has to be drilled into new students especially since the pandemic. As far as the other license on this bill I'm for eliminating or changing.

Michelle Braaten

Spring ISD

Conroe, TX

As an educator, I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Both of these pathways are important to students.

CECILIA REYNA

Harlandale High School Cosmetology

SAN ANTONIO, TX

As I reflected about what is being proposed, I sat and asked myself do the people proposing this really understand our license? When we started this pandemic and everyone was panicking about sanitation, disinfection and sterilization I was proud that I had personally studied Cosmetology for my operators license and instructors license. Not only had I previously learned but now I teach ALL these important points that our World is dealing with now. I wish that those wanting to do away with our license take the time to actually pick up a cosmetology book and see all the topics that we cover. Just think about it if we don't properly educate our future cosmetologist, would you want to receive a facial, pedicure, manicure or hair cut by them? There are so many diseases that can be transmitted if people aren't educated on what to look for. Just a few to think about; tinea, pseudomonas aeruginosa, pediculosis capitis or tinea pedis. Please really think about what is being proposed, our license is super important for the safety of our public that receives services from our industry.

Kandra Gunter
Spring ISD
Houston, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Donna Moore, Dr.
Public High School Cosmetology Department
Fort Worth, TX

This is not a bill that should even be considered, much less pass. The cosmetology program in our high school provide so many of our students a way to get certified in something they love to do and a way to get a job and have income right out of high school. I wouldn't want someone who did not hold a license to cut and color my hair even come close to doing my hair. Rethink this one guys!

Benito Chavez, Mr
Floyd 99. NCTC
Corinth, TX

"I oppose the bill as it was filed because.
Think about this. It means any licensed hairstylist, barber, or esthetician could walk into a school and teach new students. This is very frightening to me. It will be a burden on myself and other instructors having to go through HOW TO TEACH with each new hire. Who has time for that? There's so much more to teaching than knowing the skills of the profession.

Elisabeth Brooke
Texas Educators
Fort Worth, TX

Given the importance placed on educator certification in Texas public schools, it seems absurd to eliminate Cosmetology and Barber instructor licensing. If this pandemic has taught us anything in terms of education, it is that being able to do something (read, write, perform math, etc.) is very different than being able to teach something. The same is true for caring for hair, skin, and health and beauty. Please do not eliminate these important licenses!

Elisabeth Brooke, SBEC Certified in English, Social Studies, Gifted and Talented, Art, and English as a Second Language.

shaylee rivera
cosmetology
la marque, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructors licenses.

Kiana Martinez

cosmetology

Texas city, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Saltiel Gonzalez

Cosmetology

Texas city, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Melanie Olvera

Cosmetology

Texas City, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Ashley Roofner, N/A

self, a future cosmetologist currently enrolled in beauty school.

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licensees, this is definitely not a good idea because without instructors licenses future cosmetologists will not be taught as the same level as they would be with someone who has an instructors license. Students will not undergo the proper training and education that is taught by an instructor, thus making them underprepared causing them to be a liability to there clients. Someone who has not been properly educated at the same standard can preform unsanitary services, as well as completely mess up the clients services due to being taught incorrectly. Dealing with hair can be very dangerous when working with chemicals ,etc. Instructors with licensing within the cosmetology field are needed!

Sean Sanchez

PRAIRIE LEA ISD

Prairie Lea, TX

please do not pass

Melissa Bragan

self LVN

Weatherford, TX

Eliminating a cosmetology license is not in the best interest of the clients. Someone who went to cosmetology school are aware of the protocols and procedure to keep clients safe. As to someone who has not gone to cosmetology school would not know these protocol. My sister is had worked hard for both licenses , not to mention thousands of dollars in school. I would have to say she is very knowledgeable of health and safety of her clients. I do not support you taking the licenses process away.

Raven pope
cosmetology
Texas City, TX

I strongly oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Tymekia Rayford
HCC Cosmetology
Houston, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. We need to maintain the integrity of the Cosmetology program by having certified instructors to teach.

James Hibbetts
self - public school teacher
Fort Worth, TX

Cosmetology and Barber Instructions licenses need to be kept. Education and licensing for these individuals is important for the general health and well-being of people under their services. This is especially true for students entering the field for the first time.

L. Pandora Freestone
Community College Cosmetology Educators of Texas, Legislative Officer
Friendswood, TX

We oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. We are requesting that your committee amend HB 1560 to say that Instructors in Cosmetology and Barber schools, public and private, must be licensed. I agree that many of the licenses TDLR have in place are not necessary, however, we must have qualified instructors to teach students the safety and practical skills required in this profession.

This bill has left out licenses for instructors of Cosmetology and Barbering. We feel that these professions should be taught by qualified instructors only, who have gone through more educational training. By alleviating Instructor licenses our profession will definitely suffer. The quality of graduating students will deteriorate. This is not good for the public.

Any person wanting to better themselves knows that there is the expense of more education and time. It is not a burden. It is a privilege. It makes us proud to be qualified to train others. All teachers must go back to college and earn the right to become an educator.

We stand in classrooms every day and teach. We should be required to have a higher education and earn a license in our field to be able to teach others.
I urge you to amend HB 1560 to include the requirement of Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licenses.

Leone Clark, Dr.
Dickinson HS

Dickinson, TX

The barber and cosmetology programs are thriving career/tech programs that give students a direct line to employment straight out of high school. The idea that the Sunset Committee would dissolve them is ludicrous. Providing young adults with immediate employment opportunities after high school is not only an educational goal, but an asset to the community. Please do not eliminate this valuable program.

Larry Markert, Superintendent

Prairie Lea ISD

PRAIRIE LEA, TX

Please do not push to eliminate Instructor licenses for Cosmetology. Our small 1A district and its community members benefits a lot from this program. If something happens to my teachers license then we may have to dismantle it. Unless there is another recourse.

Angela Sims

self/teacher

Weatherford, TX

The idea of abolishing the licensing for barbers and cosmetologists (and instructors) is absolutely ridiculous. This is a skilled profession. I teach chemistry, and many of my former students come back to tell me ways that chemistry has helped further their career. If people don't want to pay for a licensed barber/cosmetologist, they can do things themselves at home. If I walk into an establishment, I expect that they are taught properly and that I can trust them with my health and safety.

Stephanie Boxie

Midland College Cosmetology Department

Midland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license. I am a licensed instructor and the time, experience, and knowledge that I have taken from being behind the chair is very necessary to teach all incoming students inspiring to become a cosmetologist. Many may think that information can be learned from anybody and anywhere, which may be partially true. Although, the information and text taught to me when I was in school to become an instructor, is the "meat" in being able to teach others and actually get them to have a good learning outcome. Yes, many people may qualify to teach, but many people cannot get others to learn from what they are teaching, or perform satisfactory in the industry. And in the beauty industry, similar to the medical industry, there is very little room for mistakes, especially from an unlicensed, state board certified professional.

Bobbi Sanders, RN

school

Weatherford, TX

I believe it is necessary to continue to require a license for cosmetology and barber instructors to continue with a higher standard of education for hairstylists and nail technicians. As a nurse myself, I am also concerned that the education regarding public health could suffer. I can't help but feel that the job markets in this field would also suffer causing more lost jobs.

Allison Giles
Weatherford ISD
Fort Worth, TX

Getting rid of the need for a certified and licensed education for cosmetologists would be devastating to the industry. I would imagine that the ripple effects will include ignorance in critical health and safety regulations putting customers at risk.

Haley Pasupuleti
Self
Fort Worth, TX

Cosmetology instructors are NEEDED!! Why do you keep lessening the hours needed for students and now you are trying to eliminate instructors? We need them to properly teach. Not just any licensed individual has the knowledge to teach a class of new students! What kind of education will anyone have if you just put anyone in charge and in these positions?! You better cancel this bill, instructors are needed! This is ridiculous and I will not stand by without fighting for our instructors.

Betty Martinez
Self
Katy, TX

"oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." They should feel free to elaborate on why they believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry.

Shawanda Cox
Barber / Cosmetology Instructors - Self
Spring, TX

I am a licensed barber and cosmetology instructor and I oppose this bill as it is written. This bill as it is written would eliminate the instructors licenses for barbers and cosmetologists. There are many reasons why there is currently a license in place to be an instructor. Our industry is faced with legal liabilities on a daily basis and as instructors we prepare our students with the knowledge and training needed to navigate those responsibilities. As instructors, we not only teach how to "do hair". We provide, guidance, discipline, observation and structured lessons to our students to prepare them for the industry that awaits them. As instructors we need to be able to ensure the safety of our students, we must be able to identify and implement strategies that will most enhance each and every students best advantage in the industry. We as instructors are able to determine which students learn best in a hands on setting versus an auditory or visual setting, and we know how to develop and implement lessons that will encourage growth in all types of learners. By stripping away the instructors license, you open the door for any cosmetologist or barber to "instruct" or "teach" in these professions. This means that the student who only became licensed 3 months ago is now eligible to teach this profession. This will end in licensees not abiding by health and safety standards as this "instructor" does not have the proper education nor experience in which to ensure that they are relating the information to students in an effective manner in which would ensure health and safety standards in our industry. This also opens too many doors for who schools may hire as effective instructors. How will this effect the Highly qualified educator status of many educators in the state of Texas when there is no proof that these professionals have their required education, training, license, or experience that currently validates such positions? This bill needs to be readjusted to reflect that instructors license are more important than some of the lesser license types.

Magaly Martinez

self

mercedes, TX

I myself am a Cosmetology Instructor this affects many of us. Cosmetology is a professional industry! I totally disagree with this bill it would be ridiculous if this training and safety precautions were not taken into consideration. If students did not get professional training to become licensed many clients will be out at risk! I OPPOSE TO BILL HB1560!!!

Lorena Gallegos, Cosmetology Instructor

Self

Hondo, TX

I am a cosmetology teacher teaching my students as I type this about communicable disease and how to keep themselves and the public safe. Eliminating our instructor license is not only RECKLESS but putting the HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC ENDANGER directly!

Sally Griewahn, Cosmetology Teacher

self/cosmetology instructor

Marion, TX

I oppose the bill as written because it wants to eliminate barber and instructor licenses. As an instructor for over 30 years, I feel elimination of these licenses will diminish the industry as a whole. Saying anyone with a cosmetology license can teach cosmetology is a slap in the face to those of us who have spent countless hours/months and years in education, taking classes on how to teach, understanding the differences in learning styles and types and creating learner focused education takes dedication and education. Please do not let this bill pass.

Jodi McMurtrey

self

ALEDO, TX

We need to keep cosmetology and barber instructors educated and licensed. As with any other industry, you want the educators of the field knowledgeable about the subject. Teachers themselves are required to keep their license up to date and complete continuing education hours. As should those teaching in the cosmetology/barber field.

Morgan Wright

self

Weatherford, TX

Getting rid of the Cosmetology and Barbers Instructor license would be a terrible idea. It's helpful to have a state standard for education and this feels like one step closer to getting rid of licensing altogether, as was previously proposed. In the end, you're hurting more educators (not that anyone ever seems to care about that) who have spent many hours and thousands of dollars to become certified and give a good standard of instruction to future cosmetologists and barbers. Many kids in the state rely on the cosmetology programs to count for their vocational education and without licensed teachers, high schools and vocational schools wouldn't be able to offer the certification.

Dar Davis

self

Denver City, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Andrea Garcia

self student

Eagle Pass, TX

i am currently a student and having a teacher who teaches professionally to me. i wouldnt like for the license to be taken away.

Carol Schild

Hairdressers

Ft.Worth, TX

Hair dressers should be licensed, there are safety and sanitary education behind the profession.

This should not even be a discussion, putting chemicals on people's hair could be very harmful and burn the client.

Thank you

Jill Danner

Self, Cosmetology Instructor

Webster, TX

Dear House of Representatives,

Have you ever had a toenail fungus from a nail salon? Have you ever had your dream job labeled irrelevant? Whether you answered yes or no please read on to understand why these question are worth pondering.

I have been a Licensed Cosmetology Instructor in Texas for eight months. Before I moved back to Texas I was in California where I was hindered from getting my Cosmetology Instructor's License. There were two main barriers in earning my CA Instructor license:

I would not qualify for a grant and stipend since there is not a college setting with a set curriculum, etc. to attend. Therefore I would not have been able to afford doing an internship with little or no pay.

I did not have any contacts in CA, so to cold-call schools and ask them to train me for free was an uncomfortable position to be in. From my perspective, if I (Cosmetology Instructor) am going to allow someone I don't know to share my work space and take my time to mentor them, I would expect something in return. And I, as the mentee, would not want to take without giving. It's a basic human law of reciprocity. This system seems ridiculous to me.

I am telling you this today in an attempt to ask you to reconsider Sunset Bill Rec. 3.2. Earning this License has been one of my greatest achievements, but it looks as though I will loose it in one year if this bill passes. Please don't take that license way. You may think lost dreams are beside the point, but to me they matter. Nonetheless, I have another argument I'd like you to consider as well.

The Cosmetology Instructor License is "still relevant in a changing world." Sunset sited that "public safety" would not be hindered. I beg to differ. If the Cosmetology & Barbering occupations are relevant to public health since we work intimately with

the public using sharps, chemicals and touch, surely the educators who train them are relevant. Why take that chance, especially in today's climate where infection and disease spread, sometimes causing death. If these professionals are not properly trained our society will be at risk. I am currently under medical supervision from a toe nail fungus that I acquired while getting a pedicure. It's been over a year now and my medication just switched from oral to topical. Infections from salons are not joke. If anything teaching requirements should be stricter.

In closing, I urge you to dismiss Sunset Bill Rec. 3.2 because the professions of Cosmetology & Barbering Instructors are relevant. We matter as a profession and deserve to keep a respectable reputation at colleges and high schools in the state of Texas. We are also relevant in public health because we are the leaders who train Cosmetology & Barbering professionals who work closely with the public. Infectious disease containment is literally in our hands.

Jill R. Danner
Cosmetology Instructor
(831) 250-3333

Charles Wright, Principal
Prairie Lea ISD
Prairie Lea, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. This is a great career that our School Districts offer students.

Amy Hernandez
self/student
Eagle Pass, TX

I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away.

Nataly Suarez
Cosmetology student
Jacksonville, TX

I am opposed to this Bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and if this Bill passes I'm scared of what the future of my industry will look like Imagine....

samantha zavalala
Cosmetology student
Montalba, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and - if this bill passes i'm scared of what the future of my industry will look like , imagine walking in to a salon and getting a haircut by someone random that doesn't have a license cutting or doing your hair.

Lauren Simpson
cosmetology student

elkhart, TX

i am opposed to this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. i am currently a student of cosmetology and if this bill passes i am scared of what the future of my industry will look like. imagine being taught by a teacher without his or her certificate to teach. you would not want your children to be taught by someone without a certificate to teach.

brianna raynor-solis

self, teacher

st hedwig, TX

Canceling the operator cosmetology instructor license would be detrimental to the industry. The impact of the decision to do so would hurt the future cosmetologists. It is important that they are trained by a well educated professional. With a license that proves they can provide the infection control training to keep clients safe especially during times like these.

Karen Castilleja

self student

eagle pass, TX

I am currently a student and i feel that it is important to have an instructor who is educated. Therefore i would not like that the license is being taken away.

Celeste Renteria

Houston Community College Cosmetology/Barber/Esthetics, Cosmetology Instructor

Houston, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, since it would eliminate the Cosmetology and Barber Instructors Licenses. Any student that is interested in the field of cosmetology, barbering, or esthetics should be taught such subject matter by a Licensed Cosmetology/Barber Instructor. Students should be taught ALL cosmetology/barbering techniques, science & chemistry of the hair and ALL safety and sanitary procedures. If this is taken away we are setting this industry up for failure. Thank you.

Makayla Niblett

Midland College

Midland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Emmalynn Langley

Cosmetology student

Pyote, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed , because it eliminates the Cosmetology instructors license . I am currently a student of cosmetology and will soon start my journey after I license. I couldn't imagine being taught by somebody who doesn't know what they're doing and isn't licensed in it. I would want a teacher with experience and someone who has worked under somebody else

instead of just anybody. Our industry could be really bad if this bill passed because who knows what they're being taught.

Matthew Nelson

N/A

Weatherford, TX

It's bullshit to take away licensing requirements for cosmetology. I don't want to get a haircut from just anyone!

Lisa Hays

Midland College

Midland, TX

I OPPOSE this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Cutting and color treating hair is extremely precise and technical. You need educated, highly trained and knowledgeable instructors qualified to teach this.

Melissa Harper

Cosmetologist HighSchool Teacher

Hockley, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

JOSEPH FIELDS

Midland College, Cosmetology Program Chair

Midland, TX

As an educator and a licensed cosmetologist for the last forty years I do not support HB 1560. This would not only affect the livelihood of current license holders but would also put the public in grave danger, having uneducated persons applying possibly dangerous chemicals on clients hair and skin, without the proper knowledge of safety and sanitary procedures.

Katrina Pitts

Cosmetology student

Chandler, TX

I am opposed to this bill as it was filed due to the fear and offense that this causes to our industry. imagine if you went and paid to see a dentist for an important surgery, only to learn that your dentist you're trusting has just finished reading a book on oral surgeries. has never been taught properly how to perform the service, and has never even had proper classes. you would not trust them to physically work on you or even work in general until they had proper teaching and specified licenses, so why should we lower our standards in the cosmetology industry to where a freshly licensed student would be able to improperly teach a class where steps could be missed and boards would not even be in their future?

Phylicia Hill

Spring ISD

Spring, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. We need all skills and trades to be respected and included. All industries need structure and provided regulations to some degree, especially if it offers and teaches standards that the general public are affected.

Malaysia Williams

Cosmetology student

Palestine, TX

I am opposed to this bill as if it was field, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a cosmetology student and I believe that you should have your license to teach before you teach a subject or something. I wouldn't want a neurologist working on my head if he isn't licensed.

Becky McCelvey, Teacher/ Cosmetology Instructor

Texas High School Cosmetology Instructor

Luling, TX

I oppose this bill as it is filed because it eliminates the Cosmetology and Barber Instructors licenses. I have had the privilege of training and directing numerous students in State of Texas to obtain their Cosmetology License. I know without the proper Instructors License and training damage to the public health and safety of our citizens would have been unavoidable. Please do not let this much needed service, training and license be lost!

Hosea 4:6 "My people perish for a lack of knowledge"

Sophia Barrientos, Miss

Self/Student

Eagle Pass, TX

I believe the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation should continue the HB 1560 by Goldman

Minel Saldana

Cosmetology Student

Palestine, TX

I am opposed to the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the Cosmetology instructors license. It is important to be taught by a person that actually knows what they're doing, that has had the experience before and can keep on spreading their knowledge, based on the years that they have been in this industry in order for the industry to keep being successful.

Myra Soto

Midland College

Midland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the Cosmetology and Barber instructor licenses.

Melanie Cazares

self/student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student, and I strongly feel that we should have professionals teaching, and not someone who doesn't have experience, or any information. Also as a student I want someone who has training and experience.

Kaila Diaz

Cosmetology

'Eagle pass, TX

It is important to have an extra education in order to teach. It is not easy to teach if you, yourself

Vanessa Briones

Southwest Tx Jr College

Uvalde, TX

As the Cosmetology Program Coordinator for Southwest Tx Jr College. What will this do to our students that are enrolling in this program? How will this benefit any student? I have been a licensed cosmetologist for 14 years and an instructor for 12 years. Without the fundamentals of my instructor program, I wouldn't be able to be a mentor, coordinator, and director of any school. After reviewing reports eliminating the wig instructor license that does make some sense that I can support it doesn't have any licensed wig instructors. Cosmetology Instructors are overpowering all instructor's licenses in Texas. This is also over \$300,000 in revenue for the state in-licenses renewals. We got blindsided last year with a proposed bill to deregulate our industry now to remove instructors in our field doesn't make any sense. We have trained and given all we can to our students twice as much as academic teachers providing real-world experiences. The passing rate for the written instructor's license is 46% how do you justify eliminating a license? The practical portion is 90% this can be something that can be eliminated if you are wanting to stop part of the testing.

Charles Fredrikson

Weatherford ISD

Weatherford, TX

The state of Texas needs to keep our Cosmetology programs at the high school levels. Many students find this program a pathway to a career that will afford them a stable life. A number of these students may not excel in the core subjects and this offering provides them a way to feel successful as they apply their talents to something they truly enjoy and are talented at. In addition they gain a feeling of accomplishment and pride thus elevating their self esteem and self worth. This in turn makes them an asset to society and their community. DO NOT cancel this program that has a proven track record of success and provided thousands of students the needed avenue to achieve their hopes and dreams!

Kaila Diaz

Cosmetology

Eagle pass, TX

In order to be able to teach you must have a further education. You cannot teach someone if you barely learn the skills.

Jessica Silvey

Weatherford College Cosmetology wise co

Decatur, TX

Doing away with this license is just crazy! I am in school and my teacher worked so hard to get her license to be able to teach us and she does amazing. We have learned so much!! Taking away this license would allow anyone to be able to instruct cosmetology and just the safety regulations alone is unacceptable! We learn how to not only take care of peoples hair we learn how to do it SAFELY!

Brooklyn Davilla

Cosmetology student

Palestine, TX

I am opposed to this Bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology instructors license. I am currently a student of cosmetology and if this Bill passes, I am scared of what the future of my industry will look like imagine walking into a cosmetology collage and seeing a teacher that is not Certified to teach a class on cosmetology for young women ready to learn and improve their skills and then the teacher doesn't know what to do or how to do it. Then tells the class to find something to do or work on or even tell them to watch a videos on YouTube. That is not what I want for me or for other future cosmetology students .

Jennifer Garcia

Self/Student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and I strongly believe that we should have an instructor that's fully educated.

Nicole Comstock

self/ teacher

WEATHERFORD, TX

I have been a High School Teacher for over 30 years and been fortunate to teach at a HS that has an excellent CATE department that includes Cosmetology! I have seen many students reap the benefits of this program and strongly urge you to NOT eliminate these folks licensing!!!

Kadince Bradley

self

Weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student , I like that to be my teacher they have to go through proper schooling to become the teacher . As well as when i go out into the work force I don't want someone with no experience or training to be my superior . When I've under go schooling to become a cosmetologist .

Alec Garces

Self

Somerset, TX

Me and my fellow cosmetologist have great disappoint to this bill as it shows that people don't care about proper knowledge and and proper training it take to be a cosmetologist if this bill is passed the cosmetology community as we know it will be doomed forever .

Mikaylee Roberts

cosmetology students and teachers of texas.

springtown, TX

As a cosmetology student, I want my teachers to have extra education to ensure I am getting a good delivery of instruction. I want to ensure the person teaching me has experience in the field. Keep cosmetology teachers licensed.

Angely Rodriguez

Cosmetology Student

Palestine, TX

I am opposed to this bill for it allows people that do not take the time to learn the skills it takes to be a cosmetologist instructor. It does not make sense to have an instructor teach something that they have no knowledge of. Think about how this bill could affect other jobs. For example, it would not be right to have a person with no medical knowledge being an instructor in the medical field so why should it be okay for someone to teach cosmetology with no or little knowledge. That is why I oppose this bill. Just imagine the effects this can have for the industry and careers.

Yadira Guevara

Yorkman and Associates

MIDLAND, TX

As a customer and a consumer I believe this is unsafe!

Jennifer Ervin

Gonzales ISD CTE Teacher

Gonzales, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses which will impact my high school students and their IBC certifications

Daniela Perez

Weatherford Highschool cosmetology

Weatherford, TX

As a cosmetologist I think that taking away licensing and regulations for cosmetologist is not a very good idea, i would not like to have a teacher that has no experience in the salon and that does not know how to use the dangerous chemicals on people.

Ruby Green
Cosmetology Student
Azle, TX

As a Cosmetology Student, I would feel very uncomfortable if my teacher had no experience in a real salon. There is so much life experience that you get when you work behind the chair, that you cannot replicate in a structured school. If you are to take that away, you would deprive future hair stylists of this. The job of the teacher is to better prepare their student for the real world, and teach them about the real world. With no real experience, people would go into the world without any preparation.

Raelynn Vivian
Self/student
Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and knowing that someone can teach me well, it's great cause they have the proper information to help anyone grow and proceed there knowledge with a bit of help.

Ally Murray
self
Fort Worth, TX

Getting rid of instructors licenses is not a good idea. As a cosmetology student, I would not feel comfortable learning from someone who doesn't have to have additional education. Instructors should have salon experience and have to learn about lesson plans and how to teach students properly. A person straight out of cosmetology school does not have the appropriate qualifications to teach students as they were just one themselves.

Montana Casselman
Weatherford College
Weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student, I want a teacher that know what they're doing and not just teaching us something from google. I would like for my teacher to have the correct license to be teaching students about something that contains chemicals. They need a minimum of teaching, and have them trained in teaching methods, and a minimum of hands on experience.

Crystal Vasquez
self/student
eagle pass, TX

I am a student, and i think is important to have an instructor of cosmetology that has had experience professionally in that particular field.

Silvia Galarza
Southwest Texas Junior College

Uvalde, TX

It is harder for people in the industry having to learn two things at once.

bibian barrientos

Cosmetology

weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student, I want my teachers to have extra education to ensure I am getting a good delivery of instruction. I want to ensure the person teaching me has experience in the field. Keep cosmetology teachers licensed. I want my instructor to have experience and actually have answers to my complex questions only a experienced instructor can provide.

karla munoz

cosmetology

weatherford, TX

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Allison Geneser

self; art teacher

Lockhart, TX

I am against HB 1560! I do not want our school's cosmetology teacher or department to be affected! It is a very important program that provides a leg up in a career which enables many of these students to make their way out of poverty. This department is a shining star at our school and we absolutely cannot have it jeopardized!

alejandra castillo

cosmetology student

springtown, TX

As a cosmetology student I would want to have a license teacher. With out the teacher having a teaching license could I really trust him/her/they to give me the right information. When teaching they need to have lots of work experience in order to be teaching students.

Zoe Brown

Self

Willow Park, TX

I believe that cosmetologist should have a proper education.

Jessica De La Luz, Mrs.

Southwest Texas Junior College Cosmetology

UVALDE, TX

Students should be taught by professionals who have a thorough understanding of how education works. The bill should not be passed due to the unnecessary merging of licenses. It will negatively impact the thousands of cosmetologists and barbers already licensed independently. It will cause many to leave the industry, thus impacting local economies and families. I urge you not to make this bill law.

Jonathan Couch, Instructor
Klein Forest High School
Houston, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Silvia Galarza
Southwest Texas Junior College
Uvalde, TX

A lot of people would have to closed their businesses.
If this law passes I wouldn't be able to graduate from the college I am attending now.

Rosie Tull
self
Lorena, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." An instructor licenses are critical to the industry.

Jessica Cardona
Self
UVALDE, TX

You will be invalidating a license I worked hard for, studied for and paid for. You will be removing progress and accomplishments people make in their lives, and tell them they do not matter. It will cause unnecessary hardships to thousands of instructors, stylists, and business owners. When you look at statistics instead of people you ultimately will make a huge mistake.

Andrea Conant
Cosmetology and Barber Instructors License
El Paso, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

bianka castillo
cosmetology

uvalde, TX

I don't think it is a good idea that just anybody can get a cosmetology license, It is dangerous and it's something that needs to be trained for.

Elisa Luna

South West Texas Junior College

Uvalde, TX

I am against this bill because I don't want a teacher that is not certified. I will make things more difficult to get a job...please do not pass this bill. Getting a cosmetologist license is not easy. Many people will have to go back to school and spend way more money after they put so much time and effort. This will not be good for the economy.

Melina Gutierrez

SOUTHWEST TEXAS JUNIOR COLLEGE

Uvalde, TX

This bill should not be passed as it will bring more problems to anyone that is in the industry and is trying to join this industry. Getting your cosmetology license on its own is not easy. Many people will have to go back to school and spend more money on gaining a new license. Not a lot of people have the privilege of being able to gain an education after they dedicated money , time and effort to gain a career. It's not right to pass a bill that will not bring benefits towards people and the economy of this industry. I am part of the people trying to get their cosmetology license but after this , I'm doubting it.

Viviana Lopez

self

springtown, TX

A cosmetology teacher should be licensed to teach a class.

Dianita Martiez

self

Crystal City, TX

If this bill is passed it will cause problems in this industry. Without proper education on the subject, people will get hurt.

jose garza

self

crystal city, TX

I think this is a good idea if indeed a licensed cosmetologist can instruct classes with just their background as being a certified cosmetologist, reason, why I suggest this being a good idea, is that we all learn the basics of cosmetology; the same but some are more advanced than others in a certain field of cosmetology which I feel like we need more instructors who are more mindful about these unknown areas that may grow the industry of cosmetology. growth-promoting something knew always opens doors to

success.

Brenda Maldonado

South west Texas junior college

Uvalde, TX

I believe this bill should not be passed because it would be more difficult to get in this industry, and we should have teachers that are licensed and know how to properly teach us about the industry. people will end up losing their jobs and it would be difficult for them to get other jobs. Do not let this bill pass law, if this bill got passed I wouldn't be able to continue my career with the industry. Most people don't have the opportunity to go to school because of money, this bill would make it more difficult for people to get in. I am apart of those people still wanting to continue my journey but if this bill passes I don't think i will be able to.

Arleth Gonzalez

Self student

Eagle pass, TX

I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away

Edith Ingalsbe

Central Texas Beauty college

Lott, TX

It is very important to the cosmetology and barber industry that non qualified stylist be allowed to teach our future stylist. Just because a person can do hair does not mean they can teach. Furthermore this does not qualify them as they may not have adequate texhnical skills as well. Please keep the integrity in our profession.

Ana Castillon, CTE Director

Eagle Pass Independent School District

Eagle Pass, TX

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natalie camacho, ms

Southwest Texas Junior College

uvalde, TX

There is multiple reasons on why I don't agree with this bill trying to happen. If this were to actually to happen which hopefully it won't, but this can easily end many peoples jobs. I'm apart of those people being in Cosmetology. This means a lot to me and many other people and I hope these people will realize that this will be a very bad idea.

Presiliano Briones

self - social worker

Uvalde, TX

I don't believe in allowing all licensed cosmetologist to becoming an educator as the passing rate for instructor license is 48% for the written state exam. With human trafficking on the rise, several public high school cosmetology instructors are seeing firsthand how students are involved because of the close connection they build over time with their students unlike in the academic sector don't spend enough time getting to know their students.

Rita Ramos

Rita Salon - Owner

Uvalde, TX

Over 30 years of experience and working with several licensed operators I don't think all licensed cosmetologists should be able to teach in a school or overall. They won't have the mindset or tools required for a public or private school.

Laveda MacGregor

Self

Canton, TX

No, we must keep these folks licensed

Laura McClelland

Community

Weatherford, TX

It is important to maintain licensing in every Texas community. Licensing ensures the consumers are protected and receiving a quality service acknowledged by the state. If the licensure is removed, the community is vulnerable to people who do not have a recognized standard.

Yolonda Washington, Ms

Spring ISD CTE

Houston, TX

Barbering/Cosmetology License is critical to CTE education and the future of our students.

Jessica Santos, Cosmetology student

Self

El Paso, TX

I opposed the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license.

michelle ontiveros, student

cosmetology operator student yisd

El paso, TX

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Laura Hays, Mrs.

CCCET

Marlin, TX

I am oppoaed to HB 1560 as it stands.

Destiny Moncada

Self

Somerset, TX

It's important to have a operator instructor , to be taught the things we know and need to know in cosmetology , it's important because we learn about the sanitation procedures practice skills etc .

Alondra Quinones-Najera, Ms.

Cosmetology operator student

El Paso, TX

I oppose to the bill that has been filed, in the past two years as an Cosmetology operator student I have had to learn and identify different diseases that can potentially be spread by the public if not being careful. Things like sanitation and infection control are essential when working for the public's heath and well-being . I believe that these two years of instruction should be required in order to save the public of contagious infections. Knowing how to manipulate the integument of a patron while keeping tools and atmosphere sanitized is imperative for the public health.

Dawn Hankins

Self High School Teacher

Houston, TX

I oppose this bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These programs are extremely necessary at the high school level. They allow students to begin an honest and necessary career.

Lenay Martinez, Ysleta yisd student

Self

El Paso, TX

I oppose the bill as it was field , because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructors licenses I believe we should have the right to knowledge and safety regulations for those who aren't knowledgeable about the hazards of cosmetology I am a student about to take my test for my operators license in high school and this journey has not only taught me about the beautiful world of cosmetics but the growth as a person for better understand and confidence and pride in the hard work we put in to

accomplish and achieve our goals yes it be easier to say to get rid of it but this industry is so fast growing so much to learn that when Effort and drive is put into it you don't want to stop you just want to grasp every concept there's so much that still has not been discovered about this field don't take away the achievement of succeeding and don't take away a place we as high school students can go to express ourselves freely well we have laws and rules in the school district give us a place to know we're we're taught laws and expectations sincerely a cosmetology soon to be graduate

Michelle Turrey, Cosmetology operator student

Cosmetology and Barber Instructors License

El Paso, TX

In my two years of being a cosmetology student I have learned you do not get what you want, you get what you work for. This industry is not something to be looked down upon or seen as easy due to the carelessness of others, nor is it something that should be taken away simply because some do not want to follow rules. It is crucial to continue the licensing process, due to so many things that can go wrong due to the laziness of others. I am opposing this bill with millions standing behind me! I fight for my career and my name! If a cosmetology License was not meant to be taken seriously it would not have been made a License. Let me ask you this. When you go into a salon, do you want to go in with confidence your not going to come out with an infection so severe your life is ruined or changed forever simply because the person performing the service does not know how to sanitize properly or doesn't sanitize at all? Thank you for your time.

Alexia Maldonado

cosmetology operator student yisd

El paso, TX

I am an cosmetology operator student at YISD and i have been studying cosmetology for two years now and i vehemently oppose to the bill because i did everything, i sacrificed things to come here and study this career and for someone to come and say that you are able to do nails even if you don't have a license. Its so heartbreaking because my parents gave me all the tools to come to school and learn everything and all that was for nothing. Us Licensed cosmetologist have learned everything to Medical and Makeup we know everything we know how to take care of people how to distinguish a disease those who doesn't have a license probably know nothing.

Maria Davila

Family member

Uvalde, TX

I believe that by you taking away licenses it will be horrifying for the customers and putting us in dangerous harm. How? By allowing someone without a license work with chemicals that can cause serious damage to us. Please reconsider this for our safety and well-being. Thank you

Mariah Chaperon

Texas High school cosmetology classes

Cresson, TX

Please do not get rid of the need for Cosmetologists and barbers to be licensed. I do not want anyone able to provide services without a license. You need training for these chemicals and asepsis practices. Please keep them licensed.

Clarissa Ramos
Salon Manager
Uvalde, TX

Against the HB 1560 due to the education that is given with a instructor's licensed believe anyone that is wanting to teach needs to take additional classes to be in a classroom.

Kristi Foret
self, Cosmetology Instructor
League City, TX

Please oppose the bill as it filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. The instructor licenses are critical to the industry.

Please amend HB 1560 to say that Instructors in Cosmetology and Barber schools, public and private, must be licensed. I agree that many of the licenses TDLR have in place are not necessary, however, we must have qualified instructors to teach students the safety and practical skills required in this profession. This bill has left out licenses for instructors of Cosmetology and Barbering. I feel that these professions should be taught by qualified instructors only, who have gone through more educational training. By eliminating Instructor licenses, our profession will definitely suffer. The quality of graduating students will deteriorate. This is not good for the public.

Any person wanting to better themselves know that there is the expense of more education and time. It is not a burden. It is a privilege. It makes us proud to be qualified to train others. All teachers must go back to college and earn the right to become an educator.

We stand in classrooms every day and teach. We should be required to have a higher education and earn a license in our field to be able to teach others.

I urge you to amend HB 1560 to include the requirement of Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licenses. Thank you,

TJ Starling
Rockwall ISD
Rockwall, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Bobbie Smith
Panola College
Timpson, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I feel like this will only further the decline of my industry. With the cut in hours for operator training, students are already at a loss of instruction.

Carolyn Jeane
Self/ Cosmetology Instructor
Mineral Wells, TX

Eliminating the Instructor License in order to teach would cause more of a problem in this industry. Allowing Students to be taught by an individual without providing the proper training to teach insures that subpar education will be taught. Instead of making sure the student learns about Safety and Sanitation and the proper techniques are taught as building blocks, you will be allowing holes in the education process which leads to failure in their careers. You must be properly trained in all aspects of this industry. It's not just "playing with hair and makeup" in this industry. There is so much more to our professional license than you are giving us credit for here. Cosmetology Instructors have had to learn so much more than just train a student in practical application. There is theory education, the why it is done this way, that everyone needs to learn. It is a higher education that must be taught to a student. Our society doesn't allow someone who has no educational background or training to teach a college level class, why would you allow this in our educational process and degree. I respectfully request that you vote against this bill. Thank you for your time and attention.

juliet gonzalez

self- lash extension artist

uvalde, TX

Not requiring an educator license for Cosmetologists will have consequences that will make the industry suffer financially. Cosmetology is a technical skill and educators value the trade and industry to become educators and make sure the industry remains consistent with regulations and standards. Do not allow any cosmetologist to become educators.

DALILA LOPEZ, Cosmetology Teacher

William H. Taft High School

San Antonio, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses that are regulated licensees to ensure the curriculum taught (prescribed by TDLR), which is specified for operator examinee candidates who are also seeking licensing, are knowledgeable and certified themselves to teach it to others. Future professionals gain knowledge of skills and technical skills needed to operate safely in the industry, taught by licensed teachers who are also required an operator license as well as a license that is achieved by their knowledge and ability to teach it, and by showing mastery in their skills, with either additional training and/or work experience in the industry. Teaching is a difficult job that requires ethics and professional standards. To say anyone could teach is an understatement. As we have all experienced the difference between good teachers and inadequate teachers. Teaching is a profession in itself that requires involvement and growth, regardless of what is being taught. There are areas of the industry that some operators specialize in and do not always study or continue their education in all aspects of the scope of practice for their license. As a licensed instructor you have to continue learning, practicing, and developing in all areas of the industry to be able to teach them to others. You are also required continued education hours that pertain directly to teaching and in most schools teaching expectations on educators is set at a higher level. It is not the same as passing down water down education based on only the knowledge that they have acquired as chosen by themselves. It would be like saying no profession requires higher education or certified teachers. I could not imagine having a doctor, dentist, or other professional people not having been taught proper procedures by someone knowledgeable and/or certified to teach them. In any situation, the responsibility of a teacher comes with a higher level of standards. How can quality, safety, knowledge of the trade, technical ability, etc be expected of any licensee if they are not taught by individuals who demonstrate those skills themselves??

Jami Werth

RiSD

Rockwall, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are critical to the industry of service to provide adequate instructors in the field of this expertise.

Elias Diaz

Maverick County Hospital District

Eagle Pass, TX

These courses provide valuable learning experiences for people in rural communities that are not able to pursue a college education. They should be taught by licensed professionals that not only maintain standards in their fields, but also have specialized training in coursework development.

Donna Cathey

Self - Teacher

Port Neches, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the barber and cosmetology instructor licenses. I believe that it would be a huge mistake to eliminate the instructors in this industry and it should be stopped. Please reconsider this action.

James Dupuch

self

forney, TX

The program for CTE is a very important to the kids who work hard to get a license to start work in profession that they can feel proud about. This program and others like it are necessary and will continue to ease the current Job market. It has been most beneficial to those student who take education serious and that this is a great way to show their talents in something that the Love.

Cari Davis, Cosmetology instructor

Cosmetology instructors

Benbrook, TX

It would not be a good idea to take away the education behind the instructors license. Do you want someone cutting your hair that learned from anyone. Someone that hasn't been taught how to teach each and every different style of learners. Please do not eliminate the instructor license.

Dianne Taulbee

self/secretary

Weatherford, TX

We need to keep cosmetology and barber instructors educated and licensed.

Ronda Dozier, Dr

Cosmetology

Texarkana, TX

I am requesting this to be eliminated from this session. Licensed instructors play a vital role in educating students who choose to enter the profession. Trained teachers are preferred over untrained. Colleges will also suffer due to the decrease in enrollment. Cosmetology is a vital career choice, especially in rural Texas, and the reduction in hours is extremely challenging to produce qualified graduates. Now, eliminating the teacher requirement is another action demonstrating the lack of respect AND understanding of this profession.

Paula Fults

self

Centerq, TX

We need these license to remain in place. The average cosmetologist comes to school around the age of 18-30 to get licensed. They do not have the experience to be able to teach with out returning to school to learn how to teach cosmetology.

Marilee Smith

Self Cosmetology Instructor

Conroe, TX

The licensing of Cosmetology Instructor includes learning how to teach skills in a sequential way to lead students from a beginning point to where they are able assimilate new information for themselves.

Please do not disrespect our license I. Assuming that "just because you can cut hair, you can teach"

Jessica De La Luz

Southwest Texas Junior College Cosmetology

UVALDE, TX

Do not pass

Karen Casey

Myself

Harker Heights, TX

Not requiring a license is ridiculous

Kathryn Enriquez

Southwest Texas Junior College Cosmetology

Uvalde, TX

This is a major issue, anybody can teach you, anybody can do your hair. For example, somebody who is using chemicals who has never learned about it will indefinitely harm you in numerous ways since they don't have the knowledge that they should have if they were to be required to have a license.

Ángel Lopez, Mr

South West Texas Junior College

Uvalde, TX

I don't agree that people without a license should teach students. My reason is because we as students take out time to learn and want to become professionals the right way and if someone without a license is gonna teach us what are we learning we need teachers with license so that we can make sure we are doing things the right way and not makes mistakes to hurt our clients or makes mistakes we happens if we have a teacher without a license and he or she tries to dye their hair and chemically burns them if we're taught that then we will end up making the same mistake we are working hard to get our license and make sure we become professionals the right way with a professional teaching us and making sure that we are doing everything correctly so I think it's best to not have people without a license teach us because in the end we student and putting in the effort to make sure the things we do are correctly and safely so that we are able to become professionals.

Karen Angel

SELF/SELF

Elkhart, TX

This ABSOLUTELY does not need to happen!

Arcinie Hatchett

Liberty-Eylau Cosmetology

Texarkana, TX

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Songer Renda

Texas Cosmetology Educators

Nevada, TX

Eliminating the cosmetology instructor license is a negative move. There are literally 1000's of students enrolled in educational programs TODAY that lead to this certification that has been required for decades. The average cost of an instructor program is at minimum \$7500. How do we explain to these students that the training they have been paying for and making sacrifices to complete is worthless? Especially in a situation in which the cosmetology industry will whole heartedly agree that an instructor license is a need. This certification is needed to ensure that cosmetology instructors have the skills needed to safely and effectively teach students how to not only deliver personal care services, but also comply with state, federal, and local regulations.

I am asking that the portion of this bill pertaining to abolishing the cosmetology instructor license be rescinded.

Linda Guajardo

Self/student

Eagle pass, TX

I am currently a student and getting taught by a professional teacher. I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away.

Paul Cathey, Mr.
self - Mechanic
Port Neches, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. I believe that having licensed instructors is very important for the future of the industry as a whole. Please reconsider this bill and the changes that are proposed. Thank you

Klariss Lozano
South West Texas Junior College
Uvalde, TX

I believe people without license shouldn't teach students. I think this because us student want to learn how to do better and want to be professionals. Having someone who is not license or have no experience with cosmetology won't be able to teach a class properly. For example when working with chemicals we need to know which one to use, how to use it ,and what to use it for. Not being licensed can cause a lot of damages to people hair nails toes and or their body's. So In conclusion I believe we should have licensed teachers teaching students the proper way of the cosmetology industry so that what way we can be more educated and better in our work and environment

Zapopan Vasquez
self
Dallas, TX

My name is Zapopan Vasquez a scholar at Skyline High school in the cosmetology magnet program, also a soon to be voter. I am writing today because I have an issue with the current House Bill 1560 proposed by the Sunset Commission. The House Bill 1560 states that licenses are no longer needed in the cosmetology industry. I plead you to vote NO towards the House Bill 1560. This Bill will have a major negative impact on the cosmetology industry, the customers, and ourselves as students. The cosmetology instructors play a major part in our education. They teach us the basics and the importance of safe practices for our customers, ourselves, and our work environment. One should not be educated by any random instructor. If the students were to harm the clients because of insufficient experience, it would not only hurt the customer but also the students record. The House Bill 1560 would also cause licensed instructors to lose their jobs. Therefore, because of the many problems it would cause I urge you to vote NO against the House Bill 1560.

Cristina Sanchez
self student
Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and I strongly feel that it is really unjust to remove the instructor's license. As a student I would feel more comfortable knowing that I am being educated by someone who has had more experience in what we are learning about.

Kacy Moreno
Self/student
Eagle Pass, TX

I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away

Alissa de Jongh

Self / Professor of Facial Esthetics

Hockley, TX

Oppose bill HB 1560 as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology instructor license. In order to teach these classes at the college level a 2 year degree for Cosmetology Instructor is required and a licensing board exam must be passed. These courses are based on teaching philosophies as to how to effectively build courses and lesson plans, have effective classroom management skills, handle conflict resolution and other pedagogy theories. Eliminating these programs and licenses would put the Texas public at risk by having non-qualified teachers rather than those highly trained educators who have specialized training in teaching safety and sanitation protocols. Additionally, it would limit the opportunity for higher education to Texas students if the cosmetology courses would not be taught by a degreed/licensed teaching professional. Also, it would take away jobs from those who spent years earning their Cosmetology Instructor degree/license. This would financially hurt thousands of Texas residents who earned their college degree/license in this field if these licensed professionals are stripped of the license they worked so hard to earn. Please remove this from the current bill and do not hurt thousands of Texas citizens by trying to put it into any bill going forward. Thank you for your consideration of this important information.

Alma Reyes

Self

Eagle pass, TX

No

Isabella Palacios

Self/ students

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and I believe it is important to have a professional teaching me so I know I am being taught well.

Peggy Smith

Weatherford High School Cosmetology Dept.

Hudson Oaks, TX

I feel like licensing and regulation for cosmetology including barbering are necessary for health reasons including hygiene. When using s issues and razors that close to my head I want to make sure the individual is well trained and supervised.

Karen Lane

self

Dallas, TX

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Crystal Argence

Paul Mitchell the School San Antonio

San Antonio, TX

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victoria Jimenez

self

denver, TX

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kayleigh hite

instructor

San Antonio, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. It is imperative that instructors are qualified and competent and that is not possible without obtaining an instructors license or having a degree. We train people from all walks of life and encounter a myriad of different learning types. Not just anyone can teach

Emily Grago

Self - Licensed Cosmetologist

Dallas, TX

am writing on behalf of the Cosmetology instructors of North Central Texas College living in Districts 62, 68, and 69. I am writing in regards to HB 1560.

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SHENA KAHIKI TALIA

PAUL MITCHELL THE SCHOOL ADMISSION LEADER/CALL CENTER LEAD/HS ADVISOR/TITLE IX COORDINATOR
SAN ANTONIO, TX

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Richard Brown

Paul Mitchell The School Arlington, Dallas, San Antonio

Farmers Branch, TX

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Madeline Neely

Paul Mitchell The School Dallas - Cosmetology Instructor

Dallas, TX

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Virginia Fresquez

CIPS/TIVA/SELF

El Paso, TX

I "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses." I believe the instructor licenses is critical to the industry, because everything that has to do with cosmetology has a purpose of how to do the procedures correctly and safely without damaging the hair, skin or nails. Not only that but to teach them not to cross contaminate any one with hair, skin, and nail diseases and disorders for our own safety and for others safety as well.

Matthew Owen

Self

Weatherford, TX

Tons of people have worked very hard to complete the training and cost of retaining a license. Why would we want to allow untrained people to operate in this industry. If anything it allows more people to do business without paying taxes or following proper health guidelines. Bad idea spend the tax payers money on something more worthwhile.

Heather Fowler

Northwest ISD Cosmetology Academy

Hickory Creek, TX

As a Cosmetology Instructor, I oppose dissolution of the Cosmetology Instructor License. The Instructor license is our only real option to receiving higher education, and in turn, providing quality higher education for the future generation of cosmetologists. Please save our license! Please support our career and higher education achievements.

Allison Webb

self

Aledo, TX

To Whom It May Concern,

I don't know why someone thinks it is a good idea to limit licensing of cosmetologist and barbers, but please do not take that away. As a women who uses a lot of services via cosmetologist, it would make me very uncomfortable to know that they did not have to go through proper procedures and were tested and licensed. Maybe whoever thought this was a good idea doesn't have any hair, but coloring hair is a science and mixing the wrong colors or leaving it on too long can create a bald situation really fast. This scares to tremendously to think that the licensing process would be eliminated. These professionals are educated in their field and creating a market where anyone with a pair of scissors can throw up a sign to cut hair is unthinkable to me! Give these ladies and gentlemen the respect they deserve as trained PROFESSIONALS. Keep licensing in place!!

Brooke Robinson

Self, teacher

Tomball, TX

I do not agree with the bill eliminating the cosmetology instructors license

Rob Parrott

Weatherford ISD

Aledo, TX

One of our most popular career tech classes is our Cosmotology program. Without required state licensing, our important educational program would become nonexistent. Also, I personally do not want to have someone cutting my hair that is not trained and regulated. Vote no on this bill!

Krystal Patricio

Cosmetology

North Richland Hills, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the the cosmetology and barbering instructor licenses. This could be a terrible decision on the state representatives part. Please edit the bill to save this part of our industry.

Jennifer Benavides, Educator

Paul Mitchell the School

San Antonio, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. They should feel free to elaborate on why they believe the instructor licenses are critical to the industry.

Christine Mullins, Lead Faculty of Cosmetology

Self

Magnolia, TX

Opposed

Texas Cosmetology Instructor licenses must remain. Would you want teachers without training for any category that deals with the safety of the public? No! The cosmetology instructor licensure training ensures the licensee have an high level of understanding for Texas laws and rules, as well as the teaching skills. It would be a disservice to the public as well as the cosmetology professionals who rely on quality education to serve the public.

Aimee Hernandez

Self/Student

Eagle Pass, TX

As a student, I would like to know that I am being taught by a person that is educated.

alana guadarrama

self/student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and having a teacher who teaches professionally to me, I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away.

Gabriella Lochridge, Cosmetology instructor

Northwest ISD

Hurst, TX

The students will not get the quality education that they need or deserve.

Brooklyn Alonso, n/a

self/students

eaglepass, TX

i am a student and i think it is important to have a professional.

Emma Martinez, Cosmetology Instructor

self

Eagle Pass, TX

This Bill need to be amended to include the requirement of Instructors Licenses for Barbers and Cosmetology. I oppose the Bill as it was fielded because it eliminates the Cosmetology and Barbers Licenses. I believe the Instructors license is critical to the industry as there is more to teaching than just a skill. we need to teach the skill in a safely and Sanitary manner.

Holly standeford

Self

Belton, TX

I am against the current writing of this bill because it eliminates the cosmetology and barbers instructors license. This will cause a decline in the professionalism and quality of education in the beauty industry.

Savannah Davis

Self / Cosmetology Instructor

Houston, TX

Very essential to keep Operator/Barber Instructor License. The skill of haircare/grooming is no the only or major aspect of the industry. It would save lives and protect the communities to concentrate legislation, attention and money on Human Trafficking.

Jeannie Summers

Self/ Retired CTE Administrator

string:NACOGDOCHES, TX

The ability to gain a license to become a Cosmetologist while in high school has provided an instant entry level into a career once their tests are passed. There is much value in these individuals knowing safety and sanitation as well as much information about the human body and structure of the face. Unlearned people make many mistakes with their efforts to do their own haircuts. These individuals keep many people from harming themselves because they do not know how to handle chemicals that they might purchase to apply to their hair. Licensing and education is important. The field now includes many who offer manicure and pedicure services which could potentially be very dangerous and introduce infections into the body. Please stand strong to keep regulations as they are for the Cosmetology industry and the ability to start this in high school.

Mary Lindsay, Teacher

Self

Deer Park, TX

I oppose HB 1560 as filed. Abolishing the Cosmetology Instructors License will be a detriment to the Cosmetology Industry. Stylist need instruction on teaching methods and classroom management to encompass safety and disinfection control before they can educate students.

Stacy Morales

self/student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and knowing that someone has a license in what they're teaching would make me 100% more confined in my studies. It is a very important factor that they have the proper information to help me and my fellow classmates to grow and proceed with their knowledge.

Bradley Schuster

Self

CONROE, TX

Leave the licensing of barbers and hairstylist's the way they are, I do not want to have myself worked on by someone that thinks that they are a Barber.

Kimberly Moyers

Self

Montgomery, TX

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I urge you to amend HB 1560 to include the requirement of Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licenses.

Thank you for your time and due diligence,

Kimberly Moyers, M.S in Education
Former College Professor
Current high school cosmetology teacher
TEA certified Cosmetology teacher
903-818-1717
moyers.edu@gmail.com

Justin Owens

Paul Mitchell The Barber School Arlington

Euless, TX

PLEASE oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. As a licensed instructor & barber professional for 18 years I KNOW that removing licensure for instructors will GRAVELY damage the safety not of just the industry but of the public. Without proper education, we risk people being taught incorrect information about safety and sanitation. After the outbreak of COVID-19 we CAN NOT AFFORD to put barbers and cosmologist in the industry who are ill-informed about safety protocols and procedures as it relates to our industry as a whole but especially about sanitation.

Helene Lampkin, Instructor

Self

Converse Texas, TX

Education should be required for cosmetology and cosmetology instructors there is knowledge that needs to be talked in order to

graduate and understand the composition of hair scalp nails Etc

Joe Arrington, Mr
self

McGregor, TX

The amendment that removes the requirement for training individual to teach those how seek licensure as a Cosmetologist or Barber is wholly irresponsible. It falsely assumes that anyone can teach others. If further mistakenly assumes that experience doing a job sufficiently enables one to teach someone else. This arrogantly assumes the skills of the Cosmetologist is easily learned, ignoring the need to manage chemistry, math, and decision making the physical treatment of another human. The purpose of licensure is to protect the public from harm due to unskilled service. This act is the very antithesis of the governmental due to protect the public. Supporting this amendment is the very definition of irresponsibility.

Levarah Clark
Nuvani Institute
San Antonio, TX

Without cosmetology instructors license, there's no instructors, no instructors no school, no school no students, no students no knowledge on how why things work the way they do. And so you have a bunch of ignorant stylist doing hair and without knowledge of why a person's hair is falling out. They have no knowledge on why chemicals and diseases are able to destroy the hair , skin, or nails.

Youlette MCCullough
self
Houston,, TX

The Instructor's licenses still needs to be supported and regulated for the teaching of high quality CTE courses

Diana Jacobo
Dallas ISD Cosmetology student
Dallas, TX

Hello I'm a student currently taking my third year in cosmetology. Next year I will be able to get my Cosmetology licence. And by this Bill many including myself will be affected by the outcome. It's completely outrageous hearing that students don't need an instructor to guide them to a successful path in the beauty industry. But like others, I struggle a lot to learn quickly, therefore having the help of my instructor I'm able to thoroughly comprehend and master a task. Instructors are crucial because a self taught hair stylist would not know how to properly disinfect and sanitize the salon to keep their clients safe from catching communicable diseases. The same way you wouldn't want a unlicensed doctor to perform a service on you I wouldn't want anyone without a cosmetology licence either because their education consists of watching YouTube videos at home while our education comes from hard work and effort to keep our clients safe and satisfied.

Noe Cruz
Barbering
manvel, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Diane Rodriquez, Cosmetology instructor

Cosmetology

Brownfield, TX

I believe as a instructor for cosmetology we should have to have a license to teach. I field our job is just in important as a teacher, doctor, lawyer. We should all have to be educated to carry out our jobs obligations. Also we have work hard to get our education to teach our students.

María Téllez, Cosmetologist

Self hairstylist

Pantego, TX

We need to be licensed in order to be responsable for all work we do. We studied and pay to go to school learn proper use of chemicals, follow health regulations keep learning to grow a good profession. Governor is making a big mess not regulating this profession he is under estimate our work and industry. Gov Abbot is making the worts devotions for Texas that I ever heard. Not licensed people around just making our work low quality and losing money just because now everyone could cut hair and use chemical on another person. He is doing the same stupid changes not just with professional licensed cosmetologist and barbers but with plumber.

Patricia Rocha, Cosmetologist student

Self upcoming cosmetologist

Dallas, TX

I am a current student in the cosmetologist field, and am eligible to test and receive my license this year. I have worked along side with two amazing and passionate cosmetologist instructors, where I have learned so many things. I ask you say no to this Bill. I ask you say no because the best way to learn is by being taught by someone with experience. Without these instructors, we wont be able to perform a adequate, and clean service (our instructors teach us about infection control and how to keep the salon and our supplies clean and disinfected , not to mention recognize different diseases so we can refer them to a physician) . And if upcoming cosmetologist dont know the basics of infection control, and the important foundation of cosmetologists, our whole industry could be hurt and suffer consequences. Most people would rather have a well taught professional cosmetologist dealing with chemicals on their skin, hair and nails, rather someone that is mildly informed.

Destiney Mata

Student

Eagle pass, TX

I am a student and I strongly feel it is necessary to have a professional instructor who is more educated.

Lisa Wilson

Hair industry

Lubbock, TX

Hair cutting and chemical applications require studying and learning. Licensing should be required.

Jennifer Painter-Beillon
Central Texas Beauty College
Pflugerville, TX

I oppose the bill as filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. A teaching certificate of some kind is critical for this industry for the simple fact that many stylists and barbers start slacking on proper sanitation and safety after they graduate from school, yet the safety and sanitation rules still apply and are still 100% necessary to keep all of us safe. The majority of the population needs a haircut at some time in their life, some on a weekly basis. Infectious diseases must be taught by a licensed instructor or it will go by the wayside. I assure you! This is a life-or-death matter, and the risk of serious infection from improperly sterilized metal implements is real. No one thinks it will happen to them until it does. The thought of a regular barber teaching someone how to maintain their razors without covering all the risks of blood born pathogens is terrifying. Please protect Cosmetology and Barber instructor licenses!

I do urge you to combine the barber and cosmetology licenses into a combined license after completing 1300 hours of training, which would only be possible if you eliminate the distinction between cosmetology and barbering. This makes sense for 2 reasons:

1. The only real difference between Cosmetology Operator license and the Class A barber license is the ability to shave with a straight razor. You can currently receive a cosmetology license after 1000 hours and a barber license after 300 additional hours, and vice versa. You can receive a barber license after 1000 hours of training and a cosmetology license for 300 additional hours of training. Just combine the licenses, providing the extra 300 hours for straight razor shaving, and additional training on tapers and fades.
2. The barber 300 hour crossover course (and 300 hour cosmetology crossover course) is not covered by federal Pell Grant funds (a course must be a minimum of 600 clock hours to qualify for the Pell Grant), which creates a hardship for many students wanting the additional Barber training. Combining the courses for a total of 1300 hours would enable the Department of Education to disburse Pell Grant funds to cover this entire 1300 hour course of training.

Thank you for your time and attention to this very important public safety matter.

Best regards,
Jennifer Painter-Beillon
512-619-6322
512-244-2235

Sylvia Clark
self/retired
Gainesville, TX

I oppose this bill as it is filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber INSTRUCTOR LICENSES.

Bruce Barnes
Houston Community College/Cosmetology Instructor's Program
Houston, TX

I Bruce S. Barnes a current full-time instructor of Houston Community College in Houston, Texas, would like to express how important the cosmetology instructors' program is to the success of our future cosmetologists and cosmetology instructors. I have been a licensed cosmetologist, barber and instructor of both licenses for over nineteen years, and I have had the of pleasure grooming students to become the best in their field, through extensive training on science, biology, chemistry, customer service, practical skill of the trade and business operations. I know that none of this would be possible if I had not gone through a cosmetology student instructors' program from Houston Community College. I hope this helps you make the decision of keeping this program and continue to fund any future improvements to this industry. This decision will affect everyone's health and safety.....even yours.

Bryttany Ramirez

Cosmetology Instructors

Bridgeport, TX

Educating an individual on the proper process and applications to meet the requirements needed to successfully complete a service is much different than simply performing a process. More than just teaching them how to do services, we cover disinfection, proper sanitation, disease control, how to effectively communicate with your client, and how to present yourself in a professional manner. We give them tools to be successful in the industry after they achieve certification and thrive in their desired field. There's science, chemistry, and anatomy, as well as some mathematics that go into our teachings. Outside of subject matter we teach students how to interact with one another, and clients in a professional manner. We teach them rules, laws and regulations, and the proper licensing procedures. In our course to obtain a instructors license we learn how to group manage, plan activities, keep the proper files and stay up to date with current events, resource new information and techniques as well as changes in our field to better our students.

Ximena Perez

self/student

Eagle Pass, TX

I wouldn't like for the license to be taken away

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self/student

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Brandy Scoggins

BK Cosmo College of Cosmetology

Kerrville, TX

Barber and Cosmetology needs to remain separate. It is pointless to combine these 2 industries. The students I have enrolled at my school enrolled in Cosmetology school and not barber school because they want to focus on doing everything under the umbrella of the Cosmetology program, they have no desire to learn how to use a straight razor, or to focus on men's cuts. Combining these programs will not benefit the safety of the general public.

Both programs need to have instructors that have earned their instructors license. The Cosmetology and barber program focuses

on not just how to do services but the proper sanitization (which is extremely important with COVID-19), they learn different medical conditions and what to look for. I had a student that recommended a client to have a spot looked at that she had on her scalp. Turned out the client had an aggressive form of skin cancer and because of my students recommendation the client was able to get treatment before it was too late. If our instructors are not trained how can we teach our students what to look for? How can we teach them how to use proper sanitization procedures? Everyone learns in different ways and the instructor program teaches you how to teach everyone with different learning styles, it teaches you how to teach proper techniques, and how to manage a classroom, but it also teaches you how to get through to different students. If you take the instructor program away you are putting the entire industry in harms way.

You are also putting schools across the state in harms way. Our entire nation has been hit hard by COVID-19 and schools suffered. Before COVID-19 schools that are Accredited and accepts financial aid had to pay money to our accrediting agency to be approved for a state mandated change in the program from moving the program to 1000 hours from 1500 hours. We had to pay money to redo our curriculum, we had to pay money to change our advertising and we lost money when students dropped from the 1500 hour program when they hit 1000 hours. So we got hit with the state mandate change, we got hit with COVID-19, and you want to hit us with another state mandate change where we have to pay money to our accrediting agency yet again, we will have to send our current instructors for training so they can learn what barbers do that Cosmetologists do not and we will have to spend extra money on future instructors so schools can ensure they know how to be a teacher and not just know how to work behind a chair. It takes a special person to be able to teach and just because someone has had their Cosmetology licenses does not qualify them to teach.

As far as the barber pole..... that is an icon that was originally established in 1163 in the Era with Pope Alexander III, then a pole was given for people to hold during their service and later changed to a pole on the shop.. Why change a concept that has been around for centuries. It is a well known icon that everyday people look for.

sydnee odell

Cosmetology/Barber

Stephenville, TX

Y'all really out here doing the most to make us feel irrelevant. When this blows up in your face, which it will, you'll be begging to find someone with a license so cut/color/ do anything to your hair. Can't wait until someone dies from infection due to poor sanitation skills, lack of understanding of the human anatomy, & lack of knowledge/understanding behind the field. This isn't a job just anyone can walk up & do, it takes time & practice. This field is so much more than just cutting hair. Do your research on everything that goes into it. Blood exposure, what to do with a client with diabetes, lice, etc.

Lorraine Gritten

Owner/Barber of 2 Luxury Barbershops & a Barber & Beauty Academy

Waco, TX

Hello Mr Goldman,

I oppose this bill to abolish Barber & Cosmetology Instructors License. This would be a serious jeopardy to our profession. My 1st concern is the lack of importance when it comes to blood born pathogens/contagions such as Ringworm, lice, list goes on. The tools and implements we use can spread wide and far from the use of unsanitary Straight Razors, Electric Shavers, extractors, combs, brushes. Without proper training, sanitation would not be taught to the future barbers/stylist. I am a Barber Instructor, I own Champions Barber & Beauty Academy in Waco, we spend a lot of time in Microbiology, First Aid, Infection Control, Cleanliness, Sanitation, Etc. to protect the public. My school is one of the highest rated schools of students passing their written the 1st time. There are many schools that are doing a fantastic job creating future professionals. The State of Texas is at 47% passing rate for Barbers written at this time. That's were the law could use some help. Schools need to be held accountable. Schools who do not have above 70% passing rate after 2 years should not be allowed to hold that schools license or be put on probation. I own a school with both Barber & Cosmetology curriculums, I feel that combining the programs could be a good

thing. The reason I feel this way, I have had my barbers license since 1985, I have seen a lot. I have always felt sad that Barbers didn't learn more about shear work, facials, hair removal, and chemical services. In the last 3 years Sunset/TDLR has added more to the PSI Practical test forcing schools to teach more Cosmo type services to the Barbers. However most Barbers Schools are seriously slacking in that area, only teaching the clipper work. This is why I feel our states passing rate is so low at 47%. Now my thoughts on Cosmetology, I have felt sad that their schools clients are manly woman, very few if any man, leaving the Cosmetologist fearful of the clippers.

So, at my school I feel that having both Barber & Beauty welcomes both men & women, giving both Barbers & Stylist the ability to be diversified and gain confidence and experience with in return puts at quality future professionals gaining a successful employment. solution; Eliminate the rule that stats that a Barber and Cosmo can not be in the same space at the same time at school. What even defines "Space"? TDLR can not answer this question. Solution: Let everything that they both learn be together except when it comes to the shaving portion, the barber instructor then separate the Barbers students. When the Cosmo's learn lashes, makeup then separate from the Barbers. I have been on a mission to make all my Instructors dueled license in both barber & Cosmo. We create Champions, employ the the best from within my school to my Champions Barbershops They all make amazing incomes receiving W-2's, when trained right they make \$50K+, Eliminate Independent Contractors, most don't pay their taxes. Thank you, Lorraine Gritten

Elizabeth McClure

Self, licensed cosmetologist at Fringe Salon & Beauty Bar & Cosmetology Academy of Texarkana
maud, TX

Passing this bill will be just another let down in this industry, that I love so very much. At first it was the issue of the state wanting to not have ANY cosmetology licenses?! But then came to a ridiculous conclusion that lowering the prom from 1500 to 100.. Second, the state joined the barber and cosmetology licenses.. Now you want to make it to where anyone off the street can teach cosmetology?! Where is the reasoning behind this? What is the motive here? Why does the Great State of Texas need to continually deregulate my industry?! Is this industry just a joke to you guys? Have you ever even stood behind a chair? Have you ever watched a student truly find themselves?? Have you ever witnessed a student that finally found their life's passion? Vocational students are their own breed, academic based colleges are not for them. Vocational based students NEED great, licensed instructors! The beauty industry is growing faster than ever before. Today it's valued at an estimated \$532 billion and counting.. Taking our instructors program away is like saying a high school physics teacher doesn't need to go to college to teach physics.. Are you going to deregulate them as well??

Joanna Marquez

Cosmetology Student in Dallas Independent School District
Dallas, TX

I am a student at Dallas Independent School District, and I am a future voter for this region. I am currently enrolled in the TEA Personal Care Program of study with plans to earn my Texas Cosmetology Operator License by the time I graduate high school. I am opposed to House Bill 1560, if this bill was to take place the impact it would have on the community would be disastrous. If this bill was passed, people in the field of cosmetology would not get the proper education that is required. If we do not receive the proper education we will not be capable of doing our job correctly or safely. The disadvantages of this bill is it will affect anyone that wants to have a service done. The client might not receive the correct service they had in mind or they could have an allergic reaction to something because the employee performing the service was not properly trained. Overall this bill was poorly thought through, because it will affect a great deal of people. Not just anyone is capable of teaching a cosmetology class.

Alexia Ochoa

Self/Student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and I strongly believe it is important to have a professional instructor that is certified.

Krysta Nieces

Self

Palestine, TX

I want to oppose this bill . Cosmetologist work hard for there license and it should stay that way. Also we go through Sanitation classes and a lot of things to help protect ourself and the people we service , if just anyone can do a service to you without having these classes alit of accidents or diseases can happen.

Ahtziri Ascencio

Skyline High School

Dallas, TX

I am a high school student from Dallas Independent School District. I am currently enrolled in a cosmetology course in Skyline high school planning to take cosmetology into future matters. Considering the importance of Cosmetology for my district, fellow voters, and myself . I petition for you to VOTE NO for House Bill 1560.This will greatly impact the Cosmetology industry in a negative manner If this bill is passed it will cause great unemployment of properly trained directors .Furthermore affecting students enrolled in this course, by suppressing the opportunity to receive professional etiquette training.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Deidra Mack, Instructor

Institute of Cosmetology African braids instructor

Houston, TX

As an instructor for over 15 years I have seen a decline in our industry on the basis of education on Sanitation the industry this is why now the world is now suffering and it's called pandemic because of not sanitizing and sterilizing things you touch . Tdlr has deregulating braids now you can walk into a braid shop or anyone now can teach braiding and a lot of clients that I have seen over the years have alopecia all over their edges or no edges at all yes continuing education will help because the main topic is Sanitation and sterilization I think every person that have a braid shop should get a 4 Hour continuing education class and the state do you know how much money you will lose because you have to pay. Doing this you will put me on the unemployment line because I am a continuing educated and we are needed more Now To Insure safety to the public

Melissa Bell

Self

Lamesa, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Instructor licensing is crucial for the industry to maintain higher standards, delivery of care to the public that maintains quality control and consistency, as well as higher pay for those seeking entrepreneurial endeavors with the certification and professional development of skills needed to be competitive in our society.

Rosa Chaidez

Houston Community College

Houston, TX

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Tuyet-Nhung Nguyen

Cosmetology Instructor

Roanoke, TX

An instructor's license prepares an industry licensed professional on the intricacies of pedagogy, law, license requirements, examination understanding and learning styles. The Instructor's licenses is imperative to ensuring the safety and quality of education. Abolishing instructor license would mean removing access to an elevated level of our industry and not in the benefit of public safety. Education is our primary ally in the serving public.

Patrick Brown

Self - Teacher

Houston, TX

Regulation is needed when providing a public service. These domains are safer when monitored and standardized before an individual is allowed to undertake business practices in the public sector. Public trust should not be weighed against profit.

Michelle Oliver, Instructor/ owner

Self/ East Texas Cosmetology College

Lufkin, TX

Please do not do this to our instructors. We educate students everyday and know that the drop of 1000 hours is not enough... Now taking away Instructors license would completely wreck the industry and all we know as for the industry.

Kelvon Hansen

Barber/Self

San Marcos, TX

It's imperative for the continuation of the licensing of barbers and cosmetologists in order to continue the quality of barbers and cosmetologist available for the salons and barber shops. Without the continuation of licensing, there would be health and safety risks to the public. I strongly oppose dissolving the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

Neil Ely

Cosmetologist/Self

San Marcos, TX

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Debra Pesnell

Self

McKinney, TX

We must keep licenses for cosmetology and barbering. More is required than simply Having a basic cosmetologist and barber license. I'm fact o think teachers should have practical experience as well. At least 3 years

Julie Combes

self

Brownfield, TX

keep beauty and barber instructors.

Amir Smith

self barber student

Pearland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. It also wastes all my time that I have spent in Barber School already and also the money that have spent on my education to get certified. If this bill is passed then all the barbers that have already have there license will lose it and all the hard work that they have worked for. Then the Barber Industry will go down because everyone just going to learn how to cut but they won't know the sanitation measures that us barbers do to keep everyone clean and safe.

Clemishia Deloatch

Self

Frisco, TX

I believe that it is imparetive that Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations remain the governing body. Education,training and licensing should be handled by one organization

DARAYEL Kirby

Owner

SAN Antonio, TX

I vote no....Vote No

Jaedon Hill

self-barber

Pearland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses....If they were to choose that barbers don't have to get there license it would be horrific. It would take a huge risk if they wanted to apply this in the barber field. We have also learned and work very hard in the barbering field. I would say that it was not a waste of time because we did learn the details of the barbering field.

noe cruz

self barber student

manvel, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. A barbering license is a vital way to ensure that the barbers are most fit for any test on hand and will be educated on procedures and rules this will have a detrimental effect on the public that have already taken years of their life getting the license.

Sa'Ron Dorsey

Self Barber Student

Pearland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Due to myself being a student in barber school I think this shouldn't be eliminated. Eliminating license practices we'll not be good. Most things your learn in school is not on the internet. School gives you a raw advantage on your knowledge.

Myra Brown

Dallas ISD Cosmetology

Garland, TX

Vote no to HB1560. Cosmetology instructors are needed. This is not a self taught industry.

Ian Metoyer

Self Barber Student

Rosharon, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. With taking the license away I won't be able to pursue this career that I am truly passionate about. Barbers are very important in the world today. This bill can truly affect the lives of the barbers today. This bill can also affect the environment if a person isn't truly qualified or at full knowledge as a barber should be. You can't have a random person trying to be a barber not properly giving a service, or not properly following infection control rules. Could the process of taking away the barbers license be rethought out?

lemarkus owens, Barber student

Self Barber students

Rosharon, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses that will give people the ability to cut hair professionally on another level. This licensed will provide information that will keep people safe mentally and

physically. As easy as barbering may look its much more important things people need to know about the body due to health safeties. The public can and will be physically ill due to passing of infection by unskilled barber without a license. The bill will be taking away the licenses that provides people with safety precautions that will keep the public safe.

Keisha Davis

Self

DeSoto, TX

No

Francisco Altamirano

Self barber student

Manvel, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. A barbering license makes everything more safer, students learned a lot about keeping the station clean and how to properly do it, something students wouldn't know If there was no licensed instructor to teach them.

isabel chadwell

self

weatherford, TX

as a cosmetology student i feel it is best that my teacher should have the skills and experience in order to become a cosmetology teacher. i also believe that teachers should be a reliable person and have been educated.

Traylon dennis

"self" barber student

pearland, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses, we need license and regulation to learn right from wrong etiquette and the right way to perform services and proper disinfection. This is something that we know can be taught well by individuals that have and hold an instructors license.

Jmarkeius Mack, II

self barber student

Alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. The instructors had to pay and go to school and work hard to get there license all for it to mean nothing which is not fair to the Cosmo or Barber fields.

Yessica Martinez, student

Weatherford High School Cosmetology

weatherford, TX

As a student in the cosmetology department, it is necessary for me to be taught by someone who is licensed properly and had extra years of teaching. Education is never a bad thing. Its time we stop thinking about the money and start thinking about the good for the people in this State.

Emily Lemus

Weatherford High School Cosmetology

Weatherford, TX

By eliminating cosmetology license and instructors license you have an open range for anyone and everyone to teach and be a cosmetologist. When learning to be a cosmetologist you must learn not only how to cut hair but all the diseases you must avoid doing services on. As a cosmetology student I value the education my instructors have, by them having an education helps me ensure that I will get all the education and information that I need to do my job the best I can. In other words if the cosmetology license and or instructors license is taken might as well take away the degree you need for other careers such as being a doctor because at the end having the education you need for the career you pick is very important and a value piece to human society.

Zion Harvest

Self/ Barber student

Manvel, TX

I "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses". I feel like since we're in a pandemic. We aren't able to learn all the information we need to know in the barbering. I think we should be able to have more hours required . The pandemic caused a lot of conflict in the world right now. Especially in the barber industry we should able require more hours for our license. Licensed instructors are trained to be able to teach us the required information needed to be successful within this field, without these individuals there will be a huge decline in quality and much more lawsuits that will surface due to not being trained properly.

zayda jaimes

student

weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student I highly disagree with this. I would like my instructor to have experience and be educated. Education is never a bad thing. I wouldn't feel very confident about passing my test to get my license if student who just got out high school is teaching me.

Christopher Thomas

Self Barber Student

Rosharon, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filled, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license not only will this cause a harm to the community but it will also put innocent people in danger. Some barbers that passed there test don't take advantage of disinfection protocol if someone that hasn't learned anything it would spread unnecessary germs causing disease. This can be prevented by continuing to requiring a state board exam in order to receive your barber instructor license. This individuals will be crucial to making sure this knowledge is relevant within our field.

kasandra villegas

self

weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student I'd like to ensure that my instructor has the experience and education to teach me the skills I'm paying to learn. I do not think that anyone should be able to perform these services that have to do with other peoples appearances without the education and experience. They wouldn't know how to fix an error made or give out recommendations. If I was to become a cosmetology instructor I would like to know what I'm teaching and make sure I know how to take care of situations that may occur. If I was to go get my hair done I would want someone who knows what they're doing and not just eyeballing the process.

Lisa Telchik, Teacher

Self

Lamesa, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Emma Hudson

Self

Weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student I think if people want to teach then the instructor should be educated and not someone who does not know what they are doing and knows what they want to do next after the next thing. Also as a cosmetology student I think that we need a teacher who is not rude but not harsh at the same time and teach us how to do it right and not someone who does not know what they are doing

juanita navarro

self

weatherford, TX

As a cosmetology student i think people need more with experience in the real world and some who doesn't know what they're doing.

Victoria Young

Barber and Cosmetology

Houston, TX

I oppose this bill of taking away the Barber and Cosmetology Educator license because doing so will forfeit the try knowledge and understanding of chemicals and the functions of hair as well safety and sanitation of tools and the human body.

isaiah vela

self barber student

liverpool, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. All the Cosmo and barbers worked hard to get the there licenses and work all those hours and its not fair to them because they put all those hours in for nothing and they payed money to do all of that and they basically just wasted there money. The things I have learned under a licensed teacher i have learned how to shave and use clippers, dye hair and i would have never learned that going to a regular barbershop nor do I see most barbershops doing these things on a regular basis.

Leigh Farley, Career & Technical Education Coordinator
Mesquite Independent School District
Mesquite, TX

I oppose HB 1560 as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Cosmetology and Barber instructor licenses are critical to the industry because individuals needs to obtain the required education and prove by exam that they have mastered the industry standards and are capable of instructing others seeking industry certifications in this area.

Lanice Ragland, Cosmetologist
Cosmetology Instructors
Richardson, TX

I am a licensed cosmetologist and anyone that is performing a service needs to have a license and definitely need to go to school to learn how to properly service a client. We NEED our instructors to teach total hair care.

Oylimpa Winkfield, Project Manager
Self
Fort Worth, TX

As a patron of a hair/beauty salon, I want my stylist to be trained by someone with experience in their field. You wouldn't go to a doctor that wasn't trained by other doctors. Cosmetology is a skill just like any other training, and requires the student to be trained by others in their field. Their main responsibility is to keep their client's hair & scalp healthy. Other training programs are taught by individuals in their field; why should this training be any different? I will vote NO to this bill, & encourage others to do the same.

joselyn estrada
my self
dallas, TX

Good day, I am a current High School student at Skyline Dallas Independent District, and a future voter. I am currently enrolled in the Cosmetology program and I am planning on earning my Cosmetology License by the time I successfully graduate . On behalf of my school, my school district, and your future voter, I would like to urge you to vote No to House Bill 1560. House Bill 1560 would abolish Texas Cosmetology Instructor License. If House bill 1560 reaches the floor and becomes a law it can have a very big negative impact on the Cosmetology industry. Without a Cosmetology instructor, there would be so many salons, cosmetology programs, getting shut down because there would not be someone in the industry to be able to teach fellow cosmetologists to do their work the correct and proper way. Why should reading ,biology ,and math teachers have a degree to teach but cosmetologists can't. We just don't cut hair. We learn all the subjects from our instructor. So yes they are needed as much as any teacher out there . Additionally , eliminating the cosmetology instructor license will eliminate several employment positions across the state. Therefore if the house bill goes through it will affect me and my other cosmetology. Thank you for your

leadership. Please respond to let me know your opinion about this important issue.

Aleshia Rivera

Self - Cosmetology Instructor 16 years

Bogata, TX

Representative Goldman, I can see both sides of this bill, however by eliminating the instructor's license who will benefit? TDLR will lose thousands of dollars in revenue and there will be no accountability for instructors teaching/training students to work in a customer service-oriented business, which exists only through public approval and acceptance. I implore you to make an amendment to revise the Instructors exam not eliminate it. Keep in mind the health and safety of Texas especially due to the COVID pandemic.

Kind Regards,
Aleshia Rivera

Jose Duran, Jr.

self barber student

alvin, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Cancelling this main roll in students like me careers is really sad because most of us come in to this career with barely anything to know cutting. Cosmetology and barber instructors help us learn beyond the cutting lines stuff we students would not be able to learn from youtube or google. We learn about infection control and how to not spread diseases from one client to another, the proper way to clean our equipment and proper way to deal with blood exposer.

Liyanes Navarro, Ms.

Cosmetology students

Dallas, TX

I am a highschool student from Dallas ISD. Currently enrolled in the Skyline Cosmetology Cluster, I am working to obtain my Texas Cosmetology Licence by the end of my junior year. In support of my district, industry peers, and future voter myself, I urge you to vote NO to the House Bill 1560. [On January 13, 2021, the Sunset Commission decided to adopt Sunset Staff Recommendation 3.2 to eliminate barbering and cosmetology instructor licenses.]

This proposed law would obstruct the cosmetology industry. Instructors create an environment for students to feel comfortable and allow someone to be with them in the process of proper teaching. Allowing the students to build confidence, respect, and proper work ethic. Nonetheless, the abolishment of cosmetology instructors would not allow the students to identify their problem areas, and receive the necessary support to help master the course.

Thank you for your years of leadership. Please respond to let me know your point of view on this important topic.

Sincerely, Liyanes Navarro

Dallas Independent school district

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Vanessa Vasquez, student

Cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

Dear Senator Bob Hall:

I am a highschool student and a future voter in Dallas ISD. Currently I am a Cosmetology student that plans to graduate highschool with her cosmetology license. My school is actually the only school in the Dallas area that provides the Cosmetology cluster.

The reason why I am writing to you is because I want you to oppose to the House Bill 1560. If you don't already know the House Bill 1560, is a bill that wants to abolish the Texas Cosmetology Instructor License. Abolishing the instructors will be a really bad change for the cosmetology industry. One of the main reasons why the instructors should not be abolished is because it will affect the students that want to be a cosmetologist by not letting them get the right education about cosmetology. The students by not getting the right education can not 100% assure that they would do a service right on a client. Overall That is why you should vote no to House Bill 1560.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Student advocate and future voter, Vanessa Vasquez

Selina Pennington

Self

Wylie, TX

This shouldn't be passed because Cosmetology Instructors play an instrumental part in the education of students and also give that Instructor an extra bit of knowledge about the hair industry.

Kayla Lopez

self - cosmetology student

dallas, TX

Dear Mr. West

My name is Kayla Lopez. I am a student at Skyline Highschool in Dallas ISD. I am part of the cosmetology program. I am writing this letter to share my concerns about the bill 1560. Which is restricting the cosmetology students from having instructors and being taught by professionals who have had experience in cutting hair, facials, and all the things that involve cosmetology itself. In my opinion I do not see how this bill would benefit us as students later in life, and our careers as professionals in the world. I have learned many skills while being taught by my instructor. We can see how to do things properly in front of us, and if we have any doubts, we can ask questions. If we make a mistake, our instructor can correct us. I think that it would be better for us, and our future customers if we learn how to fix our mistakes while under the supervision of our instructor rather than giving our customers an unsatisfactory result. Please take this under careful consideration. This will not only affect workers, but also the people who will go under our care as many others.

Thank you.

Lakeishia Montgomery, Cosmetology instructor

Mesquite ISD CTE. Cosmetology Department

Dallas, TX

Oppose the Bill as it was filed. Against the Bill

Evelyn Ruiz Martinez

Evelyn/ cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

Good morning, my name is Evelyn Ruiz Martinez. I am a sophomore student attending Skyline High School. I am writing in disagree of abolishing cosmetology licensed instructors because there is more towards cosmetology than just hair , makeup and doing nails. In the background of cosmetology implies different subjects, such as, math, chemistry, and reading. Cosmetology uses the simple factors of math by dealing with angles once it comes to hair cutting. Chemistry is involved by consisting the right measurements in applying chemicals; including science and health by learning the backgrounds of the skin, and different diseases. In addition, reading and learning the correct key terms and reading instructions in products.

As a student, I am convinced not everyone is able to teach the background knowledge and have the patience to educate future cosmetologists as well as licensed instructors. Without the proper training being received from instructors, numerous amounts of future cosmetologist wouldn't know the correct procedure to prevent diseases from happening. If an accident occurs, several cosmetologists would not know how to handle the situation calmly and professionally and have chances to increase the problem.

Scholars and I are receiving professional training and safety measures to prevent any harmful situations from occurring. Therefore, I am in disagree of abolishing cosmetology licensed instructors.

Isabel Castillo

Isabel Castillo/ Cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

I am a student at Skyline High School. I'm currently enrolled in the cosmetology program, where we will soon graduate with a license. It has recently come to our section that you plan to abolish all cosmetology instructor licenses. In doing so it will have a negative impact on our industry. Instructors are here to teach and guide us in the correct path to getting our license. Not anyone can teach even if they have 12 years of experience as a student. They would have to take the extra step and go to school to become a certified teacher. The same goes for the cosmetology industry. As a future voter and cosmetologist, I hope you will make the right choice in voting NO to House Bill 1560.

Timothy Drew

Lamesa ISD

Lamesa, TX

I believe that we should keep the Cosmetology and Barber instructor licenses. Our school, Lamesa High School, has recently passed a bond and finished construction on a new Salon, Welding, and Woodshop. These licenses are what gives our school a career path to our students. Please reject this bill that would remove these much needed licenses.

Lizbet Serrano

Lizbet serrano-cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

I am Lizbet Serrano, a skyline high school student in the Dallas ISD. I am currently enrolled in the cosmetology cluster program I am studying on getting my cosmetology license as well as being a future voter. I opposed the house bill HB 1560 because I have

the dream to graduate from cosmetology and get my license .Therefore have a better future,without the teachers we wouldn't have the knowledge that this carer requires and we don't have to be just lyric stylist without a license.As well I don't see the reason on why try to take the bill off when they where the ones that put it on and said people required a license.Those are my reasons why I think its very important to have a good teacher.That has the education that can transmit to us as a student .Thank you very much

Anai Salgado

Anai Salgado/Cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

I am a cosmetology student and a future voter.I am asking you to opposed the House Bill 1560, Abolish the cosmetology Instructor license.I am working to get my license which I will get by the time I make it to my senior year of high school.

The reason that the House Bill 1560 should not pass is because it can have a negative impact on people's health.A lot of salons don't practice sanitation which means that not everyone in this industry is capable of teaching students because they are not aware of the bacterias they can pass to people.We learn how to sanitize and how to prevent infections.For this reason, we need an instructor to show how to prevent these things when we are working on someone.I don't think you will want your loved ones to lose an arm or leg because we are not property trained to prevent an infection.This is why you should reject House Bill 1560.

Thank you for many years of leadership.Please respond to let me know your point of view on this important topic.

Perla Calvo

Perla-Cosmetology Student

Dallas, TX

I am a student, a future voter and future cosmetologist.I am asking you to oppose the bill 1560.This issue abolishes the Cosmetology Instructor License, and it is not a good idea for this to happen.I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.This will impact many people,Instructors of Cosmetology, and future cosmetologists.This job isn't easy as many people may think it doesn't just deal with cutting hair it deals with infections and diseases as well.If this happens many future cosmetologists aren't going to know the importance of these diseases while doing services on a client,and wouldn't know the right way to do things.Many cosmetologist learn about all the diseases or infections there can be in someone's scalp or nails from an instructor.Many of these clients might be apart of your family ,and if there were no Licensed Instructors ,clients could be with diseases.This is not a very good idea, because they wouldn't know where to go in case they get an infection and they wouldn't even know that it's there.Thank you for taking your time to read my letter about this serious issue, Bill 1560.

Ara DUKE

Educational

Pflugerville, TX

Licensed cosmetology instructors are necessary for the continuous learning in a field that continues to grow. Licensed instructors are needed especially for students who are not invlined to enter a college or university but are able to thrive in a professional field.

Janet Cortez

Self/ Cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructors license. I am a cosmetology student and future voter. I am asking you to oppose the House Bill 1560. The House Bill 1560 states that the Texas Cosmetology Instructor License should be abolished. If passed, this bill would be very harmful to cosmetology as a whole. I, myself as a cosmetology student, am aware of the negative effects it would bring to our industry as a whole. What we learn is too much to cover without an instructor there to guide us. It is necessary that we keep instructors, because it is very easy to cause injury or mess up during the process of performing services. If this bill passes, it will allow any person without prior training to immediately start performing services that would normally take some even years to master. Instructors are essential to the cosmetology industry, without them the industry as a whole will not survive. Once again, I am asking you to oppose the House Bill 1560, because of its many negative effects. Thank you for your time, I hope our opinions on this bill correlate with one another.

Candy Villegas

candy/cosmetology student

Dallas, TX

I am a high school student and a future voter in Dallas ISD. Currently i am a cosmetology student that plans to graduate high school with a cosmetology license. My school which is Skyline High School is actually the first magnet school in the whole Dallas ISD area and also the first and only school who provides a cosmetology cluster. The purpose for me writing to you is because i want you to oppose HB 1560.

The House Bill 1560, is a bill that wants to abolish the Texas Cosmetology Instructor License. I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. My reason for that is because in order for us students to be able to know correctly what we have to know we should have someone who has already been taught and has a license to teach. Not just anyone in the business can teach because they may understand it differently than others and it may not be the right knowledge. And if someone without a instructor license tries to teach others, the students may not fully know if they are able to accomplish a service 100% correctly.

Overall those are my reasons why you should oppose and say NO to the HB 1560.

Thank you for taking your time and reading this.

Sincerely,

Candy Villegas.

Demondria Miller

Demondria Miller /Cosmetology Student

Dallas, TX

I am a Cosmetology Student in the Dallas Independent School District and also a future voter , I want to inform you that I oppose the bill of wanting to abolish cosmetology instructors, I feel as that cosmetology instructors have a big impact on future stylists and can offer many great opportunities to other students as well. Without cosmetology instructors , I wouldn't be able to fully understand the services or even be able to focus. Since some people out there are doing what they love and wanna pursue their career even more , I feel like cosmetology instructors are very helpful in making that happen.

Jacqueline Lopez

self/ student

Eagle Pass, TX

I am a student and I think it is better to have a professional instructor to teach us.

Alena McCutcheon

Self and Human Resources professional

Arlington, TX

VOTE NO to HB1560

Shannon Smith

Self- Cosmetology Instructor in the Dallasisd

Garland, TX

I am asking for you to oppose the Bill as it was filed because it eliminates the Cosmetology & Barber Instructor License. I have been a cosmetologist for the past 27years and have been an Instructor for 7. The knowledge that comes with the fundamentals can not be passed on by just anyone. There is more to just styling and cutting hair, painting nail, and doing makeup. This profession is also about public safety. As an Instructor teaching in the public school setting, I am able to connect other subjects through our program, and in return, it helps them in their other classes. I ask again for you to VOTE NO to HB1560.

Krystal McDonald, Say NO to HB 1560

Cosmetology student

75228, TX

I am a highschool student from Dallas District and a future voter. I am currently enrolled in the cosmetology program as a student. There has been a new house bill to abolish Texas Cosmetology Instructors (HB 1560). I encourage you to say NO to HB 1560. Instructors teach us how to do things the proper/ professional way, and without them there will be a lot of problems in the cosmetology field. Not every cosmetologist is equipped enough to teach the art of cosmetology. House bill 1560 will have a major negative impact on the cosmetology industry.

Thank you for your leadership in support of public education. Please respond to let me know your position on this important issue.

Sincerely, Krystal McDonald

Karen turner

self, instructor

plano, TX

no comment

Marinela Lafleur

Self

Manor, TX

HB 1560 is filled with suggestions that may hurt more people than help the working people. It puts burdens on Instructors not to be recognized as licensed trade teachers(over 12,000 instructors)You have other agencies like TEA that require you to have a

teaching certificate to teach in a high school and most of the private schools will be effected by this. How can you think to have just a licensed operator teacher a class it sets up a new student for failure if you do not have a licensed instructor go through some form of training. Sunset got confused by thinking that an educator who teaches about product knowledge and a instructor who goes through trying to teach basics in a classroom. An educator teaches already licensed people and an Instructor would teach new students without any knowledge of the trade. So back on TEA does not care about private schools which most students choose because of financial assistance. You have 56 colleges, 206 High Schools and 226 private schools. So the burden will be on Private schools with the most enrollments. An instructor programs shows a trade teacher how to teach in a classroom. The industry has its own textbooks for the instructor program. Please added the instructor program into this bill or remove Barber/ cosmetology from the bill.

Esther Gutierrez, Teacher assistant

Self

Lamesa, TX

I'm against HB 1560 . That would put a lot of families from supporting their families.

Sharline Montoya

Sharline Montoya

Dallas, TX

I am a student from DallasISD and i ask to vote no for House Bill 1560. I disagree with the HB 1560 for abolishing the cosmetology instructors. I a-pose the bill because we learn all our knowledge from instructors and it benefited us cosmetology students. For instance, all instructors are more experienced than us, and they can help us develop skills over time.

In addition, I believe that us cosmetology students need instructors with license and not just someone who has experience because it could cause a negative impact on us students. Instructors helps us with problem-solving and continuous improvement by being there with us and guiding us, teaching us right from wrong.

As a future voter, our voices matter. Thank you for reading my letter and i hope my message comes across.

Angelica Hernandez

Self

Dallas, TX

I am a Student at Skyline High school in Dallas TX in the Dallas Independent school district and a future voter. I am currently enrolled in the Cosmetology magnet program at Skyline. My plan is to study and graduate with my license. On behalf of my classmates, my instructors, and myself I beg you to VOTE NO to this bill . This bill will get rid of cosmetology instructors aka my teachers that have worked hard to teach me and my classmates in these hard times of Covid-19.

If you vote yes to this bill it would not only affect the cosmetology industry it will also affect my learning process and would interfere with getting my license. Passing this bill would destroy many dreams, this would also ruin my plans for my future. If you pass this bill how will we learn, how would we do our hours to get our license. If you say we can teach ourselves online it's not as easy as you think. Some people have a hard time learning by themselves and they need someone to teach them and also don't we all learn from someone else. No matter what it is you need someone to teach you because you can't always teach yourself. So when it comes to the day of voting for this bill I really hope you take into consideration that you can't always teach yourself and that if you vote yes you will be interfering with a lot of peoples jobs and learning processes. I really hope you VOTE NO to this law.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I hope it helps you with your decision.

Sincerely,
Student advocate and future voter Angelica Hernandez
from Dallas independent school district
angelicahern705@gmail.com

Jennifer Thompson
I'm a high school teacher
New Braunfels, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Arlinda Turner
Self
Houston, TX

I strongly believe Barbers and Cosmetologists need to be licensed to provide a much needed service. They need to be properly trained and pass a test certifying they have the knowledge and skills to safely, efficiently and professionally care for hair, eyes, nails and any service related to this profession. Many health issues/injuries can originate from this profession not practicing proper hygiene and not being skilled in handling clippers, heated utensils, chemicals such as dye and perms used to provide their service. This is of utmost importance that they have a license to practice so they remain accountable to their profession and a body with oversight is there to manage/monitor them and their service to the community. I pray that the state of Texas does not move to diminish the quality of service and oversight of this valued and needed profession to its citizens. Licensing of this profession is necessary at the very least to maintain a measure of high to reasonable quality of service. Please do not cut this licensing requirement in the state.

Christine Pharris
self/teacher
Spring, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. As it is written, any stylist with a license to practice could begin teaching others cosmetology. The curriculum is very different and the knowledge content is far greater for an instructor than the average stylist. There are no limits or recommendations for how long they would have had to be a stylist before instructing others. Are we sure we would want something so delicate and important to our appearance, like our hair, to be in the hands of individuals that may lack the proper training because they did not have a proper instructor? I sure don't! I want to know that when I sit in that seat that I am in good, qualified, knowledgeable and properly trained hands, not someone who learned it off someone with questionable qualifications.

Mary Poret
Huntsville ISD
Huntsville, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Ashley Fults
Self

Center, TX

We need our Instructors to have a license to teach.

Brad Froman

Lamesa ISD

Ackerly, TX

To whom it may concern,

I wanted to communicate the importance of Cosmetology licenses in HS programs. We have many students who are seeking their cosmetology license. This is a powerful program that allows students to go straight into the workforce when they graduate making good money in a career that they enjoy.

La Misha Stinson

TIVA, CIPS, ACTE, NTHS

Kempner, TX

They should write in the Comments section that they "oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses."

Tammey Howard

SELF

Cuero, TX

I have been an Instructor for nearly 40 years, and the thought of just erasing my license is not a good idea. The hours have already gone down for an Operator. How can a person go from that to teaching with experience, confidence, and wisdom? I recently showed a video about whether there is a need for an Instructor's license without coaching or speaking my opinion to the students. Then they answered a few questions about their opinion of the need for an Instructor license. The students 100 percent said yes there was, made them feel like they had information coming from someone that had to study, pass a test, and then, in turn, able to teach to others.

I had a small child while going to school and, with determination, studied and passed my test many years ago, and it was a great feeling to know what I had accomplished. The is a great field and my life; please do not take it away. It has helped me teach and save many students in my classroom to become better, and that does not come from straight out of just getting an Operators license.

Paulina Klassen, student

Seminole High

Seminole, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

Diana Shipley, Cosmetology Instructor

Vernon College

Henrietta, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license. Learning the skill set to be a professional cosmetologist in no way prepares a person to be able to teach. It is one thing to be able to execute a skill set to the level of earning a living, but it is an entirely different skill set to be able to teach. There is a great difference in how to do something and being able to teach how it is done. To be an educator there must be educational training along with proficient skill level.

haleigh smith, student
seminole high cosmetology
seminole, TX

oppose the bill that was filed

Arielle Fehr, Student
Seminole High School Cosmetology
Seminole, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

meleny mendoza
Seminole High School Cosmetology
seminole, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

jazmin guenther, student
seminole high school cosmetology
seminole, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses.

kriss krahm, student
Seminole High School
seminole, TX

oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses

Lisa Beasley, Cosmetology Instructor
Self - Cosmetology Instructor
Athens, TX

Cosmetology / Barber Instructor license are very important to our industry - being an instructor is not just about teaching a

haircut - it is about teaching professionalism, time management, and sometime social skills. We teach everything from anatomy to chemistry. Our industry will suffer greatly if we allow just anyone to "teach" our profession. As Cosmetologist/ barbers we have spend countless hours working on our profession, to do away with the instructors who are teaching the sanitation, health, and safety procedures and precautions- as well as the correct usage of tools and chemicals, we would be allowing "anyone" to say they can teach. I have spent many hours and lots of money on classes and training to make sure that I am teaching my students correct methods, and that my students are ready for a career in the beauty industry. This bill is just another avenue to try and rid the State of Texas of Cosmetology / Barber licenses. I can not imagine sitting down in a stylist chair and having someone who learned cosmetology / barbering by watching youtube. This bill is an insult to the beauty industry. The beauty industry did \$49.2 billion in 2020 - with annual growth rate of 6 - 8%- the predicted revenue by 2027 being \$54 billion. If this bill passes we can count Texas out of that revenue.

lauria mullins

CIPS

Lago Vista, TX

Not everyone can teach cosmetology. We have to learn the same as teachers we teach math etc. We spend hours, days , years learning about students learning styles and how to help them. Please do not ddelete cosmetoligy instructors license.

Sherrie Foster

Self. Retired

Nacogdoches, TX

Licensing should continue to be required for Cosmotologists and Barbers. I do not want anyone cutting, coloring or even washing my hair that has not been properly trained to do so. I would never pay a person without a license.

B Romerhausen

Self

Longview, TX

Oppose. We need instructor

Jennifer Flood

Cosmetology Instructors

weatherford, TX

YouTube may provide some level of instruction regarding how to provide beauty services this is by no means complete instruction. There is no instruction keeping rules and regulations in mind. These how to videos do not focus on protecting the public's safety from spreading diseases germs or even dangerous chemical reactions. Anyone providing any type of service to the general public should be a licensed professional trained by a licensed professional that has been examined for competency. We owe that to each Texas citizen that comes into a beauty salon to receive service. Some services offered in the salon could have life altering ramifications and consequences for incompetent practice.

Francisco Vasquez, Cosmetology Teacher

Tyler Career and Technology Salon and Spa

Flint, TX

Must keep lbstructors licensed

Rebecca Holland

Rebecca Holland, CIPS Cosmetology Instructors of Public Schools in Texas

Douglass, TX

I strongly oppose HB 1560. I believe it could be very harmful to the Cosmetology Industry to take away the Cosmetology Operator Instructor license. We need trained regulated instructors to teach the large curriculum that we teach not to mention all of the sanitation that helps to control the spread of disease. Please reconsider doing this to our industry and the future of our students.

William Smith, Cosmetologist/ instructor

Tvcc

Athens, TX

If this bill passes texas will lose millions in license revenue not to mention thousands of people like myself have worked so hard to Uptain a cosmetology instructor's licence including our Continuing education. DO NOT PASS THIS BILL IT WILL BE THE BIGGEST MISTAKE IN TEXAS HISTORY.

Dora M Martinez

self

Lamesa, TX

I oppose this bill as it was filed, due to it eliminating the cosmetology & Barber instructor license. This license is extremely important to our students. Especially in our rural areas...

Jason Johnson

Rockwall ISD

Royse City, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. This is one very relevant and essential avenue for learners that may not be on a traditional education pathway. To eliminate any CTE certification opportunities in secondary education should be extremely justifiable.

Tracy Williams

Dallas ISD Skyline High school

Dallas, TX

I AM ASKING YOU TO VOTE NO!!! This bill would negatively impact the lives of many students, instructors and patrons of barber and beauty salons. Without proper instructors and regulations, we run the risk of spreading infections such as lice or ring worms. Cosmetology is more than just cutting hair. Cosmetology is the art and science of hair skin and nails. I emphasize SCIENCE. I am a cosmetology instructor at the high school level. I have positively impacted the lives of many students that I

have encountered. Many of my previous students are now entrepreneurs and are making honest livable wages. Cosmetology is not a hobby for me or my fellow instructors across the state. I spent many hours in college preparing to teach cosmetology. I am a professional. I do not want my profession reduced to a mere hobby.

Elisha Wehrwein

Self - Cosmetology Instructor/Operator

Vernon, TX

I am requesting that your committee amend HB 1560 to say that Instructors in Cosmetology and Barber schools, public and private, must be licensed. I agree that many of the licenses TDLR have in place are not necessary, however, we must have qualified instructors to teach students the safety and practical skills required in this profession. This bill has left out licenses for instructors of Cosmetology and Barbering. We feel that these professions should be taught by qualified instructors only, who have gone through more educational training. By alleviating Instructor licenses our profession will definitely suffer. The quality of graduating students will deteriorate. This is not good for the public. Any person wanting to better themselves know that there is the expense of more education and time. It is not a burden. It is a privilege. It makes us proud to be qualified to train others. All teachers must go back to college and earn the right to become an educator. We stand in classrooms every day and teach. We should be required to have a higher education and earn a license in our field to be able to teach others.

I urge you to amend HB 1560 to include the requirement of Cosmetology and Barber Instructor licenses.

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license. Having a cosmetology or barber licenses in no way trains a person to teach. Being able to execute a skill-set and earn a living is one thing, but being able to teach the skill-set takes educational training. It is one thing to be able to do, but it is an entirely new set of skills teaching how it is done. Instructor must be trained in the field of Education in order to be proficient teachers. Students pay for an education not an apprenticeship.

Thank you for your consideration,
Elisha Wehrwein

Audrey Luna

Self Cosmetology

Houston, TX

I oppose this bill because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Instructor licenses are critical to the industry. 1601 and 1602 should not be eliminated.

Kelley Townsend

Self, Education

Athens, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. Let's be clear; this is not a career field without hazards. Cosmetology includes knowledge of chemistry (hair coloring, mixing of chemicals, etc.). Both cosmetology and barber instructors must be knowledgeable in safety procedures, hazardous chemicals, usage of sharp objects, usage of electricity, and other important tasks. If an instructor is not required to possess a license, then the possibility of instructors without proper training and knowledge, sharing that information with students, is detrimental to the industry and communities they serve.

allyson garrett

self

joaquin, TX

We need our instructors to have licenses. Putting unlicensed instructors in schools is unethical and creates unsafe working environments and practices for students going forward in their careers.

Mallory Fausett

Self

Center, TX

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haley binning

self

center, TX

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Aubrey Bennefield

Self

San Augustine, TX

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Christina Wooldridge

Cosmetologist instructors

Athens, TX

I do not agree with allowing non licensed cosmetology instructors to be allowed to teach future cosmetologist ... These instructors have spent years and time and money to follow their dreams to become an instructor to teach the future cosmetology students the best way to perform to the highest ability... All the hard work these cosmetologist have put in to become instructors would be in vane... I for one would want a stylist I can trust and not have to doubt.. Instructors love what they do and put their heart sweat and tears into their craft. To ignore that shows no matter how hard you work it never mattered.. To me that is unjust. Thank you

Aly Kerr

Self - esthetician

Fort worth, TX

This is not okay. Just like teachers in primary school and college... you need further education.

Michelle Johnston
Tvcc cosmetology
Frankston, TX

Cosmetology instructor's licensing is so important. I do not want someone touching my hair who has not been trained properly in sanitation as well as the care of our hair integrity. DO NOT pass this bill

Cynthia McFadyen
Self, CTE Teacher
Kingwood, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. We need these positive programs and options in our school districts to give our students additional options and career pathways. Many of these on campus programs that offer licensing are linked to dual credit opportunities for the students.

Brooke Pipher
Edwin M. Wells Middle School
Houston, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed, because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. These licenses are crucial to our community, and help many of our scholars get started in the workforce, adding needed services to our communities, as well as providing jobs and stability to the families of our communities.

Shannon Noble
Texas Industrial Vocational Association
Austin, TX

The Texas Industrial Vocational Association (TIVA) opposes HB 1560 as filed because it eliminates the Cosmetology Instructor License. Without the Instructor License which currently 6,000 cosmetologists and barbers hold, teachers of cosmetology and barbering will have no training in how to teach those courses in high schools, community colleges, and private beauty schools. As Diana Ferguson, ED of TIVA, who is a licensed cosmetology instructor, points out, being a licensed cosmetologist involves a completely different skill set than TEACHING students the basics of the profession such as sanitation and chemical safety. The Instructor License is not a duplicative credential.

It is common for Sunset to recommend, and TDLR to agree, that little-used licenses need to be phased out. That is not the case here, with 6,000 licensees who form the backbone of an industry. This is the ONLY program that prepares teachers of cosmetology and barbering. The alternative teacher certification required for high school CTE teachers does not prepare them to teach cosmetology. Only the curriculum in the 500-hour Instructor License courses does. The Instructor License is also required for all cosmetology teachers in community colleges and private beauty schools.

We have asked to review a committee substitute and have been unsuccessful. We must oppose HB 1560 as filed. Thank you.

Carmela Castillo
Self, Cosmetologist
Athens, TX

Oppose the bill as filed because it eliminates the Cosmetology/barber instructor license.

Teachers that educate other subjects are required to have a degree pertaining to what they will teach. Cosmetology should not be any different, if not more importantly since cosmetologists deal with potentially dangerous tools and need to be thoroughly trained by professionals to handle them without injury to themselves or the client.

Marisa Gunstanson

Self

Tyler, TX

Need licenses to stay in place

Shannon Traxson

Cosmetologist and barbers

Athens, TX

Oppose the bill as it was filed.

This bill eliminates The cosmetology and barber instructors license.

To sum this may sound simple but it takes many years to do what the instructors and cosmetologist do. If there were no need for instructors , cosmetologist or barbers - the department stores with their do it at home kits would of put the salons out of business years ago.

Oppose this bill our licensed cosmetologist and barbers are important.

Brandi Gamez

self, Cosmetology Instructor

Pottsboro, TX

I strongly oppose this bill of eliminating cosmetology instructor license. It would be a disservice to my profession, to cosmetology students, current or future, and puts the safety of the public at risk. I believe that attaining your instructors license in this field allows for room for cosmetology field workers to grow financially and educationally. I believe that it also gives the cosmetology field workers a chance to see all sides of their field from every aspect, beginning to retirement. I believe that not requiring instructor licenses prohibits current and future students ability to learn valuable and detrimental aspects of cosmetology from those who have studied every angle of the profession. I believe that eliminating instructors licenses endangers the public as well, as a cosmetology instructor pushes the safety and sanitation requirements set forth by Texas, as we have to stay current in these requirements. I believe eliminating the instructors licenses would be devastating to cosmetologists, like me, who give their clients their all in the salon until they no longer can stand behind the chair, then having the option to go into a school and teach others the craft that has always served them so well in the past. I have attained the highest certification in my field, and raised three children as a single mother completely on her own with what I have been taught. Eliminating my license would serve as a blow to everything I have worked so hard to accomplish. Thank you for your time. Please do not let this bill pass.

Jennifer Martin

Mesquite ISD

Mesquite, TX

I oppose the bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor licenses. They are essential.

Rhonda Wright

Cosmetology

Dallas, TX

Every instructor needs an instructor license not just anybody can teach hair related services??

Jennifer Haack

Aveda Institute

DALLAS, TX

I oppose the elimination of licensing board. Standards of sanitation and good practice are in the interest of public safety. A great deal of training and practice are required and necessary to be able to enter the work force and then continue with ongoing training. While 30 min. clipper cutting shops may benefit, high performing salons and barbers will not be able to sustain business if they can not recruit team members that have the state board fundamentals of practice, client safety procedures, OSHA related standards that protect guests. The investment that these businesses would have to make to develop staff to even the basic cosmetology standards would be prohibitive and these business would fall off. High performing salons and barber shops contribute to employment, locally owned businesses and also by nature are strong contributors to their communities. De-regulating and eliminating licensing is dismissive to the hard work that goes in to preparing students in the fundamentals of the work along with sanitation, safety and then advanced learning.

Sheila McDonald

self

San Antonio, TX

I am opposed to HB 1560, as introduced, as the bill would eliminate barbering and cosmetology instructor licenses. According to the National Interstate Council of State Boards of Cosmetology, 41 states require education and testing for instructors in order to ensure they are prepared to function and teach in a classroom setting.

The codification of the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission's recommendation to eliminate instructor licensure blatantly disregards the near unanimous industry feedback to retain these licenses.

Teaching an individual how to teach is different than teaching someone how to become a licensed barber or cosmetologist. Licensed instructors receive extensive training about student learning styles and how to teach course materials to students who may not have previously excelled in an academic environment. They also learn about TDLR compliance, which may suffer if these licenses are eliminated, and how to prepare students for the workforce.

Please amend HB 1560 to retain instructor licensure for the sake of our current and future students.

Deja Coleman

Deja Coleman Educator

Burleson, TX

It is extremely important that there is an expectation of safety and sanitation precautions upheld by service providers. Service providers can not be held accountable for things they are not taught. When you take licensure away from a situation only negative repercussions can be expected. A person would not be expected to drive safely, following all rules with out incident if they were

not required to be licensed. That is the same exact circumstance we face here. Please vote in favor of integrity and what is correct.
Thank you
Deja Coleman

Adalberto Perez
Self/High School Teacher
Brownsville, TX

I oppose this bill as it was filed because it eliminates the cosmetology and barber instructor license. These two programs have placed students into jobs and help in cultivating them into the workforce. Although academic core subjects like reading, writing, and math are vital they don't impact a student as much as learning a trade does. Removing these programs will take opportunities away and instead of removing programs they should be supported by helping them improve their practices.

Shannon Arnold
Aveda Arts and Sciences Institutes
Austin, TX

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Adina Ashburn
Aveda Institute Austin/educator/Retail manager
Copperas Cove, TX

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Samia Kerr, Cosmetic student

Cosmetology

Arcola, TX

I OPPOSE!! YOU CAN NOT TAKE THIS AWAY ! This is a critical industry!!

Erick Bryan

Self, Admissions manager

austin, TX

Regarding HB 1560 I am opposed to introducing hb1560 as is as it would eliminate educator licenses. These are a necessity within in the industry.

Jocelyn Dabeau

Aceable

Austin, TX

Licensing and Administration Committee members,

Thank you all for your time and consideration today.

I am Blake Garrett, and I am here to testify against the bill as filed.

I am the Founder & CEO of Aceable. We teach driver education and driver safety in Texas, where we are headquartered, as well as in 35 other states. This year we will teach well over one million students nationwide.

While we appreciate the Sunset staff and legislative council's work on the bill, and we agree with the recommendations in many areas, there are a few areas that we believe should be changed to ensure the safety of our roadways.

Parent Taught Drivers Ed is a terrifically successful program that empowers parents to use TDLR-approved programs to teach their children to drive. The program's success is evidenced by the fact that almost every year since DPS started tracking collision data by school type, parent-taught students have had lower collision rates than both in-person driver education and public school driver education.

Despite this success, there are several sections in the bill that unnecessarily alter the regulation of the parent taught program. We have submitted these sections to the author's office in conjunction with the Texas Home School Coalition.

To be mindful time today, I'll keep today's comments to one example of increased regulation and on the flip-side a dangerous example of deregulation.

First, currently the bill introduces vague language around security measures that could result in the introduction of course timers. Course timers require a student to stay on a page of content longer than it takes to actually learn the content. We find that course timers result in disengaged students, which means they learn less and rigid times also take the teaching autonomy out of the hands of parents.

On the deregulation front, I, and many of my colleagues, agree that a mistake was made in adopting the Sunset recommendation to remove pre-approval of courses prior to them being sold to our teenagers and their families. This means that anyone can create a course and merely say it meets the requirements vs having a 3rd party expert, in this case TDLR, confirm the course meets all

requirements.

Texas would be the only state in the country that allows this practice for drivers ed and driving safety and it's one we shouldn't be proud of. By removing upfront costs, the cost we will all bare is higher collision rates on our roads and higher audit fees down the line for TDLR. There are other paths to lower course application fees than the lives of Texans.

Thank you for your attention and I hope you will consider these changes as I have outlined them. We will ensure committee members receive a copy of our testimony.

Amberlea Commينو

self

tool, TX

I oppose the bill as filed because it eliminates the cosmetology/ barber instructor license.

Brandi Tomlinson

Self

Mabank, TX

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Jason Reagan

Self

Magnolia, TX

Are we nuts? Instructors need to be licensed! Proper techniques still need to be taught.

Larissa Alvarez

Self

Eagle Pass, TX

It's important for to have a teacher to prepare you in the field of cosmetology

Caitline Water

Cosmetology instructor

Mabank, TX

Let us keep our cosmetology instructor license! We worked hard for! We do it to teach other the proper way and help others achieve goals!

Lydia Willis

Self- Certified All Level (K-12) Music Teacher

Midland, TX

This is a ridiculous idea! I won't have my hair cut, colored by anyone who is not properly educated and licensed. Is this then going to spill into education at a later time? Will you have Texas students educated by "teachers" who have not received degrees from accredited universities and are not properly licensed?

Mary Mason

Weatherford Cosmetology College

Aledo, TX

I believe if instructors don't have to get a degree to teach that there will not be a consistent or accountability for students to go out and do work that is correct. I have seen first hand how the licensed instructors guide each one of the students on the proper way to do cuts and hair color to perms and on to facial and hand and feet. They make sure that the students are able to do what the client is there for and watch and guide them to make sure its being done properly. I can't imagine having someone touch my hair or face, feet or hands without proper training. Please keep all instructors licensed for everyones protection.

Jordan Roberson

My teachers

Mesquite, TX

We need them!

Jennifer Dorsey, Esthetics Instructor

Aveda Institute Dallas

Waxahachie, TX

I vote to continue the Licensing of Educators for the beauty Industry. I oppose bill HB 1560 by Goldman. I lived in Rhode Island and in 2015 the state had eliminated the Beauty Industry Instructor Licensing, it however was brought back in 2016 when it received so many negative responses. It discredits us as professionals in the eyes of the students and future work opportunities if we happen to move out of state. We learn a great deal more as being licensed Instructors and are able to pass that on to our students as well as learn how to facilitate in a classroom environment. Please do not eliminate the barbering, cosmetology, and Esthetics Instructors licenses.

Stephanie Dresel

Self

Midland, TX

Oppose the bill!!! Don't get rid of licensing!!!
