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House Bill 2141:

Are you aware of the new House Bill 2141 Governor Kevin Stitt signed in to law in May of 2024. This new law goes into effect on November 1, 2024 and will bring several changes, greatly impacting our profession.

You should expect the following changes:

- Regulating eyelash extensions, blow-dry styling, and makeup application services
- Deregulating shampoo and hair braiding services
- Adding master cosmetology and barbering license categories
- Changing cosmetology and barbering curriculum hours
- Amending apprenticeship requirements
- Increasing licensing fees
- Extending licenses to biennial renewals

New regulations to current services

Eyelash Extension Specialist Certificate

Under HB 2141, an eyelash extension instructor must be certified by either the Board and/or a manufacturer of eyelash extension application products. They must also pass a state-required written exam regarding the understanding of general safety and proper sanitation practices as well as completing a minimum of 60 hours of eyelash extension application services.

Blow-Dry Styling Certification

HB 2141 also regulates blow-dry styling services. This bill requires an individual to receive a certificate after completing 12 hours of education related to general safety and sanitation. Four of these hours must be focused on learning to use the devices required for drying, curling, straightening, and styling hair.





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Certified Makeup Artist

A makeup artist must be certified by receiving a minimum of 8 hours of instruction focusing on the general safety and sanitization of the application of makeup.

Makeup application does not include permanent makeup and/or tattooing.

Establishment licensing and inspection requirements are not required where a person is performing these services.



Deregulations to current services



HB 2141 is removing certain requirements for obtaining a license and certification for two services, shampooing and braiding.

Shampooing -

Individuals practicing only shampooing are not required to hold a license or certification. However, keep in mind that shampooing is solely the practice of washing or cleansing the hair using shampoo and conditioner, along with topical agents (oils, serums, and balms). This does not apply to shampooing wigs, hair extensions, or any other type of hair piece. Shampooing doesn't allow for any use of chemicals, such as; dyes, bleach, reactive chemicals, and/or keratin treatments.



Braiding -

Individuals practicing only hair braiding are not required to hold a license or certification. This services applies to those individuals who are twisting, weaving, locking, or braiding hair. Hair braiding includes the use of synthetic or natural hair and fibers.

Braiding doesn't allow for any use of chemicals, such as; dyes, bleach, reactive chemicals, and/or keratin treatments.



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Adding master cosmetology and barbering licensing categories

Here is the chance to showcase your years of hard work establishing your skillset and becoming an expert in your field. With HB 2141, you can now work to obtain a master-level certification.

To obtain this certification, you must be a licensed professional who has practiced for a cumulative period of at least 15 years. Once you have met this requirement, you can request a master-level license from the Board.

This allows you to then provide instruction to no more than two registered apprentices at one time.

Changing cosmetology and barbering curriculum hours

Requirements to the curriculum will be changing (on or before July 1, 2025) when the Board adopts new barbering and cosmetology curriculum.

Instead of the previous law of 1,500 hours of instruction. The new law states you need one of the following in either the Cosmetology or Barbering disciplines:

- 1,000 clock hours for non-chemical use licensure
- 1,250 clock hours for chemical use licensure



Amending apprenticeship Requirements



Previous law only allowed one apprentice to be registered and receive training in any barbering or cosmetology establishment. They had to complete 3,000 hours and couldn't receive compensation during their training.

HB 2141 now allows two apprentices at a time in an establishment. Additionally, a registered apprentice may receive compensation and only needs to complete 2,500 hours of training.

The curriculum must be created by a Board-approved organization, and benchmarks must be administered by the master barber or master cosmetologist.

Increasing license fees

You can expect to see several increases in various fees. These increases will take place after November 1, 2024 when the bill goes into effect.

Extending licenses to biennial renewals

Beginning November 1, 2025, all licenses and certificates needing to be renewed annually, will now be renewed every two years.