No. 2002-78

AN ACT

HB 1272

Amending the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), entitled, as amended, "An act to promote the public health and safety, by providing for the examination and licensure of those who desire to engage in the profession of barbering; regulating barber shops and barber schools, and students therein; regulating compensation for service rendered; conferring certain powers and duties on the Department of State; and providing penalties," further providing for applications for licensure and for student barbers.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Sections 3(a) and 5 of the act of June 19, 1931 (P.L.589, No.202), referred to as the Barbers' License Law, amended June 30, 1984 (P.L.494, No.101), are amended to read:

Section 3. (a) Each applicant for a barber's license shall, as a condition precedent to obtaining a license, take the barber's license examination and score a passing grade. Prior to taking the examination the applicant shall be at least sixteen years of age, have completed the eighth grade or its equivalent and have completed a barbering study and training period of at least one thousand two hundred fifty (1250) hours and not less than nine months either in a licensed barber school under the instruction of a licensed teacher, or in a licensed barber shop under the instruction of a licensed teacher. A notarized application for a license as a barber shall be made in such form as the board shall prescribe. [The application shall be accompanied by a notarized statement from a licensed physician that the applicant was examined by the physician, a test of the applicant's blood was made and the results of that test and the applicant is free from all contagious and infectious diseases.] The application shall also be accompanied by a notarized statement, from either the licensed barber school the applicant attended or the licensed barber-teacher in the licensed barber shop in which the applicant studied and trained, that the student has completed the study and training period required in this subsection. At the time of filing the application and accompanying notarized statements, the applicant shall pay to the department an examination fee to be determined by regulation and shall present himself or herself at the next examination of applicants as provided in section 6. The board shall not have the power to require a photograph as part of an application for a barber's license.

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Section 5. Nothing in this act shall prohibit any person from serving in such profession in this Commonwealth, as a student in any licensed barber school for the training of students in said profession under the training of a duly licensed teacher authorized to teach such profession in this

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Commonwealth or under a qualified and licensed barber-teacher in a licensed barber shop. Such student shall have his or her name registered with the barber school or shop: Provided, That the student has submitted to the barber school or shop proof that he or she has reached the age of sixteen[,] and has completed the eighth grade in a secondary school or its equivalent[, and that a test of his or her blood was made]. The barber school or shop shall keep a daily record of the attendance of each student. Students, upon graduation from a licensed barber school, or upon completion of training under a qualified and licensed barber-teacher shall make application for examination at the next regular period specified in this act.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 28th day of June, A.D. 2002.

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