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HB 458 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides relative to examination and licensing fees for cosmetology licensure and requires the board to create a website relative to licensure.

Present law provides the responsibilities of the La. State Board of Cosmetology (board).

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the responsibility for the board to create and maintain a website for applicants to apply, pay fees, and see current status for cosmetology licensure.

<u>Present law</u> provides that each examination team member for the board shall receive compensation in the form of a per diem in the amount set forth in <u>present law</u> and may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties, as approved by the board, and paid in accordance with the state travel regulations.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that each examination team member shall receive compensation and shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties, as approved by the board, and paid in accordance with the state travel regulations.

<u>Present law</u> provides that examinations for special permits shall be given at least twice per year.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes <u>present law</u> and instead provides that examinations for special permits shall be scheduled following receipt of an application for a special permit from an individual who is required to pass an examination for issuance of the permit.

<u>Present law</u> provides that an applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with taking an examination at an off-site testing center.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes <u>present law</u> and instead provides that an applicant shall be responsible for all costs associated with taking an examination administered by a testing service.

<u>Present law</u> provides a list of fees for a certificate or license for cosmetologists, estheticians, manicurists, teachers, managers, and beauty shop or salon owners that shall be assessed by the board.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes <u>present law</u> and provides that for each application for an initial license, permit, or certificate of registration and each annual renewal of such license, permit, or certificate of registration for a cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, or instructor, and each renewal is \$40.

Proposed law further provides that the fees will be nonrefundable.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the fee for a beauty shop or salon and mobile salon for residents is \$30. <u>Present law</u> further provides that the fee for nonresidents is \$65.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the separate licensing fees for residents and nonresidents provided in <u>present law</u> and instead provides that each beauty shop or salon, home care permit, and mobile salon shall pay a licensing fee of \$40.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the option for a bi-annual license for a beauty shop or salon and provides for a licensing fee of \$80.

Present law provides for the initial inspection fee for salons, mobile salons, or booth rentals.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the separate permit fees for booth rental, special, and temporary permits found in <u>present law</u> and instead provides that the initial inspection fee for salon, mobile salon, or booth rental required for licensure, change of ownership, or change of location shall be \$40.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the school registration including one "in-state" transfer for residents and nonresidents is \$10 upon entering the course.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the separate requirements for residents and nonresidents found in <u>present law</u> and instead provides that the student registration including one "in-state" transfer is \$10 upon entering the course.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the school registration fee for residents is \$315 and for nonresidents is \$615.

<u>Proposed law</u> deletes the separate requirements for residents and nonresidents and instead provides that the fee is \$315.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the fee for renewal of a certificate of registration for a school for residents is \$165 and nonresidents is \$465. <u>Present law</u> further provides that the fee for failure to timely renew is \$150.

Proposed law provides that the fee is \$165 for both residents and nonresidents.

(Amends R.S. 37:585(C), 586(A)(4) and (6), and 599(A); Adds R.S. 37:575(A)(18))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill:

1. Provide that the price for renewal of certificate of registration for a school is \$165 for both residents and non-residents.

- 2. Remove <u>proposed law</u> that removes board members from being paid per diem of \$100 per member.
- 3. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Add a requirement for the board to create and maintain a website that allows applicants to apply, pay fees, and see their current status for cosmetology licensure.
- 2. Make technical changes.