

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 701

Short Title: Cosmetic Art Continuing Ed. Exemption.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Underhill; Faison and Parmon.

Referred to: Judiciary III.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO EXEMPT LICENSEES WHO ARE IN ACTIVE PRACTICE AS
2 COSMETOLOGISTS AND HAVE TWENTY CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF
3 EXPERIENCE FROM CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 88B-21(e) reads as rewritten:

7 "(e) Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, or
8 manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing education
9 for each year of the licensing cycle. A cosmetologist may complete up to 24 hours of
10 required continuing education at any time within the cosmetologist's three-year
11 licensing cycle. Licensees shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that
12 they have satisfied the requirements of this subsection. A licensee who is in active
13 practice as a cosmetologist, esthetician, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10
14 consecutive years in that profession and is 60 years of age or older does not have to
15 meet the continuing education requirements of this subsection. A licensee who is in
16 active practice as a cosmetologist ~~and, as of October 1, 2004, and~~ has at least 20
17 consecutive years of experience as a cosmetologist, does not have to meet the
18 continuing education requirements of this subsection, but shall report any continuing
19 education classes completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are
20 Board-approved or not. Promotion of products and systems shall be allowed at
21 continuing education given in-house or at trade shows. Continuing education classes
22 may also be offered in secondary languages as needed. No member of the Board may
23 offer continuing education courses as required by this section."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.