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HOUSE BILL 791\*  
Committee Substitute Favorable 6/15/11

Short Title: Amend Cos. Art Law/Grandfr. Natural Hair Care.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 7, 2011

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT MAKING CLARIFYING CHANGES UNDER THE LAWS REGULATING THE  
3 PRACTICE OF COSMETIC ART AND EXTENDING THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH  
4 PERSONS PRACTICING AS NATURAL HAIR CARE SPECIALISTS ARE REQUIRED  
5 TO BE LICENSED UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA COSMETIC ART ACT.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 88B-11(e) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

8 "(e) The Board shall issue a license to practice as a natural hair care teacher to any  
9 individual who meets the requirements of subsection (a) of this section and who meets all of the  
10 following:

- 11 (1) Holds in good standing a natural hair care license issued by the Board.  
12 (2) Submits proof of either practice as a natural hair care specialist in a cosmetic  
13 art shop or any Board-approved employment capacity in the cosmetic art  
14 industry for a period equivalent to two years of full-time work immediately  
15 prior to application or successful completion of at least 320 hours of a  
16 natural hair care teacher curriculum in an approved cosmetic art school.  
17 (3) Passes an examination for natural hair care teachers conducted by the  
18 Board."

19 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 88B-21(e) reads as rewritten:

20 "(e) Prior to renewal of a license, a teacher, cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care  
21 specialist, or manicurist shall annually complete eight hours of Board-approved continuing  
22 education for each year of the licensing cycle. A cosmetologist may complete up to 24 hours of  
23 required continuing education at any time within the cosmetologist's three-year licensing cycle.  
24 Licensees shall submit written documentation to the Board showing that they have satisfied the  
25 requirements of this subsection. A licensee who is in active practice as a cosmetologist,  
26 esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist, has practiced for at least 10 consecutive  
27 years in that profession, and is 60 years of age or older does not have to meet the continuing  
28 education requirements of this subsection. A licensee who is in active practice as a  
29 ~~cosmetologist~~ cosmetologist, esthetician, natural hair care specialist, or manicurist and has at  
30 least 20 consecutive years of experience as a cosmetologist, in that profession does not have to  
31 meet the continuing education requirements of this ~~subsection, but shall report any continuing~~  
32 ~~education classes completed to the Board, whether the continuing education classes are~~  
33 ~~Board-approved or not.~~ subsection. Promotion of products and systems shall be allowed at  
34 continuing education given in-house or at trade shows. Continuing education classes may also  
35 be offered in secondary languages as needed. No member of the Board may offer continuing  
36 education courses as required by this section."



1           **SECTION 3.** Section 13 of S.L. 2009-521 reads as rewritten:

2           "**SECTION 13.(a)** Any natural hair care specialist who meets the following requirements  
3 shall be licensed without having to satisfy the requirements of G.S. 88B-10.1, enacted by  
4 Section 2 of this act:

5           (1) ~~submits~~ Submits proof to the Board that the natural hair care specialist is  
6 actively engaged in the practice of a natural hair care specialist ~~on the~~  
7 ~~effective date of this act, passes an examination conducted by the Board, for~~  
8 two years on or before July 1, 2011. For purposes of this subdivision,  
9 submission of proof to the Board shall include any of the following:

10           a.       Any two of the following:

11                   1.       Copies of tax records of employment, including W-2s, 1099s,  
12 tax returns, or other relevant tax records.

13                   2.       An affidavit from the applicant or the applicant's immediate  
14 supervisor, when applicable, verifying the applicant's practice  
15 of natural hair care for two years immediately preceding the  
16 date of application for licensure.

17                   3.       Copies of an applicable business license issued by a local  
18 government agency.

19           b.       Any other means of proof acceptable to the Board.

20           (2)       Passes a practical examination as approved by the Board.

21           (3)       ~~and pays~~ Pays the required fee under ~~G.S. 88B-20 shall be licensed without~~  
22 ~~having to satisfy the requirements of G.S. 88B-10.1, G.S. 88B-20,~~ enacted by  
23 Section 2 of this act.

24           "**SECTION 13.(b)** A cosmetic art shop that practices natural hair care only and that  
25 submits proof to the Board that the shop is actively engaged in the practice of natural hair care  
26 on the effective date of this act shall have ~~one year~~ three years from the date of this act to  
27 comply with the requirements of G.S. 88B-14. All persons who do not make application to the  
28 Board within ~~one year~~ three years of the effective date of this act shall be required to complete  
29 all training and examination requirements prescribed by the Board and to otherwise comply  
30 with the provisions of Chapter 88B of the General Statutes. The Board may impose a fee not to  
31 exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) on any person who submits an application pursuant to this section."

32           **SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.