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SENATE BILL 974*

Short Title: Cosmetology Continuing Education.	(Public)
Sponsors: Senator Gunter.	
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR REGISTERED COSMETOLOGISTS AND REGISTERED MANICURISTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 88 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 88-24.1. Continuing education for registered cosmetologists required.

Any cosmetologist who is currently registered shall be required to complete annual continuing education classes in subjects related to the practice of cosmetology. The length of study shall be prescribed by the Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners. The Board shall establish standards and procedures for continuing education requirements and programs. The Board shall approve only those providers of continuing education programs that the Board determines provide appropriate continuing education programs."

Sec. 2. G.S. 88-25 reads as rewritten:

"§ 88-25. Annual renewal of certificates and permits.

Every registered cosmetologist who continues in active practice or service shall renew his or her certificate of registration on or before October 1, 1986, and every three years thereafter. The certificate shall expire on the first day of November in the year in which the renewal is due. Every registered apprentice who continues in active practice or service shall annually, on or before October 1 of each year, renew his or her certificate of registration which has not been renewed prior to, or during, the month of October in any year, and which shall expire on the first day of November in that year. A registered cosmetologist's registration shall not be renewed unless the cosmetologist

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has completed the required continuing education pursuant to G.S. 88-25.1. A registered cosmetologist, or a registered apprentice whose certificate of registration has expired and who has completed the required continuing education may have his or her certificate restored immediately upon payment of the required restoration fee. Any registered cosmetologist who retires from the practice of cosmetic art for not more than three years may renew his or her certificate of registration upon payment of the required restoration fee, and by paying the license fee for the years that such license fees have not been paid.

Every cosmetic art shop, which continues to operate, shall annually, on or before February 1 of each year, renew its permit to operate, and any permit that has not been renewed before or during the month of February in any year shall expire on the first day of March in that year. A cosmetic art shop whose permit has expired may have its permit restored immediately upon payment of restoration fee, as required in G.S. 88-21, in addition to the renewal fee."

Sec. 3. Chapter 88 of the General Statutes is amended by adding two new sections to read:

"§ 88-31. Continuing education for registered manicurists required.

Any manicurist who is currently registered shall be required to complete annual continuing education classes in subjects related to the practice of manicuring. The length of study shall be prescribed by the Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners. The Board shall establish standards and procedures for continuing education requirements and programs. The Board shall approve only those providers of continuing education programs that the Board determines provide appropriate continuing education programs.

"§ 88-32. Annual renewal of registration of manicurists.

Every registered manicurist who continues in active practice or service shall renew his or her certificate of registration on or before October 1, 1995, and every three years thereafter. The certificate shall expire on the first day of November in the year in which the renewal is due. A registered manicurist's registration shall not be renewed unless the manicurist has completed the required continuing education pursuant to G.S. 88-31. A registered manicurist whose certificate of registration has expired and who has completed the required continuing education may have his or her certificate restored immediately upon payment of the required restoration fee. Any registered manicurist who retires from the practice of manicuring for not more than three years may renew his or her certificate of registration upon payment of the required restoration fee, and by paying the license fee for the years that such license fees have not been paid."

Sec. 4. This act is effective upon ratification and applies to all applicants for registration as cosmetologists or manicurists, or renewals thereof, filed on or after that date.