

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 470

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUBUISSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

COSMETOLOGY: Provides relative to licensure of cosmetologists

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:595(B)(1), relative to cosmetology licensure; to provide for  
3 requirements for cosmetology schools; to provide for hours of instruction needed for  
4 a cosmetology license; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:595(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §595. Requirements for schools

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10 B. All registered cosmetology schools may offer one or more of the  
11 following courses, and postsecondary schools shall offer one or more of the  
12 following courses only as a postsecondary educational program:

13 (1) A course of practical training and technical instruction extending over a  
14 period of not less than ~~nine consecutive months~~ seven months and fifteen days  
15 consecutively and including not less than twelve hundred ~~fifteen hundred~~ hours for  
16 the basic course of cosmetology leading to a cosmetology certificate sufficient to  
17 apply for licensure as a cosmetologist. The course of study shall include lectures,  
18 discussion, instructions, and mechanical application.

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20 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on August 1, 2024.

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DIGEST

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HB 470 Reengrossed

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**Abstract:** Changes the requirements needed for cosmetology licensure.

Present law requires a course of practical training and technical instruction extending over a period of not less than nine months and including not less than 1500 hours for a cosmetology license.

Proposed law changes present law by reducing the hours required for a course to not less than seven months and 15 days consecutively and not less than 1200 hours of practical training and technical instruction for cosmetology licensure.

Effective Aug. 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 37:595(B)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Add an effective date of Aug. 1, 2024.
2. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove proposed law that requires the board to create and maintain a website relative to cosmetology licensure.
2. Make technical changes.