

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 326

BY REPRESENTATIVE BUTLER

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

COSMETOLOGY/BOARD: Provides relative to the Louisiana Cosmetology Act

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:571(B), 572(B) through (E), and 599(A)(2), (5), and (6),
3 relative to the Louisiana Cosmetology Act; to provide for membership of the state
4 board of cosmetology; to provide for the qualifications of board members; to provide
5 for fees; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 37:571(B), 572(B) through (E), and 599(A)(2), (5), and (6) are
8 hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §571. Louisiana State Board of Cosmetology; creation; domicile; membership

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11 B. The board shall be composed of eight members appointed by the
12 governor, who shall serve at the pleasure of the governor; with the following
13 qualifications:

14 (1) At least one member shall be appointed from each congressional district.

15 (2) At least one member shall be primarily engaged in the practice of
16 cosmetology.

17 (3) One member shall be a licensed esthetician.18 (4) One member shall be a licensed manicurist.

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1 §572. Qualifications of board members; recusal from certain transactions

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3 B. Each member shall be one of the following: ~~a registered cosmetologist~~
4 ~~who has been actively engaged, for at least five years prior to his appointment, in the~~
5 ~~practice of cosmetology, or an owner of a beauty shop or salon certified pursuant to~~
6 ~~R.S. 37:591, or as a teacher or instructor of cosmetology in this state.~~

7 (1) A registered cosmetologist, esthetician, or manicurist who has been
8 actively engaged, for at least five years prior to his appointment, in the practice of
9 cosmetology, esthetics, or manicuring. However, no more than one esthetician and
10 one manicurist shall serve on the board.

11 (2) An owner of a beauty shop or salon certified pursuant to R.S. 37:591.

12 (3) An owner of an accredited cosmetology school, who has been the owner
13 for more than five years.

14 (4) A teacher or instructor of cosmetology in this state.

15 C. The board members shall not all be graduates of the same school ensuring
16 diverse educational representation.

17 D. ~~No~~ To prevent conflicts of interest, no more than four board members
18 shall be connected directly or indirectly with a school of cosmetology. "Connected"
19 means having an ownership interest in a school, being employed by a school, ~~or~~
20 having a ~~contract~~ contractual relationship with a school, or having an immediate
21 family member who has an ownership interest in a school.

22 E. Any board member, who ~~in the discharge of a duty or responsibility of his~~
23 ~~office or position would be required to vote on a matter which would cause him to~~
24 ~~be~~ encounters a situation where voting would result in a violation of the Code of
25 Governmental Ethics, shall recuse himself from voting on the matter.

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27 §599. Fees

28 A. The following fees shall be assessed by the board:

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1 (2) For each initial certificate of registration and each annual renewal of such
 2 certificate:

3 (a) ~~Cosmetologist - General~~ Cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist,
 4 teacher/instructor, or manager \$50.00

5 (i) ~~Resident~~ \$25.00

6 (ii) ~~Nonresident~~ \$50.00

7 (b) ~~Esthetician~~

8 (i) ~~Resident~~ \$25.00

9 (ii) ~~Nonresident~~ \$50.00

10 (c) ~~Manicurist~~

11 (i) ~~Resident~~ \$25.00

12 (ii) ~~Nonresident~~ \$50.00

13 (d) ~~Teacher~~

14 (i) ~~Resident~~ \$25.00

15 (ii) ~~Nonresident~~ \$50.00

16 (e) ~~Manager~~ \$25.00

17 (f) ~~Beauty shop or salon and mobile salon~~

18 (b) Beauty shop or salon, mobile salon, or home care \$55.00

19 (i) ~~Resident~~ \$30.00

20 (ii) ~~Nonresident~~ \$65.00

21 (iii) ~~Home care~~ \$30.00

22 (iv)(c) Initial inspection fee for salon, mobile salon,

23 or booth rental \$25.00

24 \$50.00

25 (d) Booth rental permit, special permit, or temporary permit \$50.00

26 (g) ~~Booth rental permit~~ \$25.00

27 (h) ~~Special permit~~ \$25.00

28 (i) ~~Temporary permit~~ \$25.00

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1	(5) Initial certificate of registration for a school	<u>\$340.00</u>
2	(a) Resident	\$315.00
3	(b) Nonresident	\$615.00
4	(6)(a) Renewal of certificate of registration for a school	<u>\$190.00</u>
5	(a) Resident	\$165.00
6	(b) Nonresident	\$465.00
7	(c) (b) Failure to timely renew	\$150.00
8		<u>\$175.00</u>
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10 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
11 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
12 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
13 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
14 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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HB 326 Engrossed 2025 Regular Session Butler

Abstract: Provides relative to the Louisiana Cosmetology Act.

Present law for the membership of the Board of Cosmetology (board).

Proposed law amends present law to require that at least one member shall be primarily engaged in the practice of cosmetology, one member shall be a licensed esthetician, and one member shall be a licensed manicurist.

Present law provides for the qualifications of board members.

Proposed law amends present law to require members to be one of the following:

- (1) A registered cosmetologist, esthetician, or manicurist who has been actively engaged, for at least five years prior to his appointment, in the practice of cosmetology, esthetics, or manicuring. However, no more than one esthetician and one manicurist shall serve on the board.
- (2) An owner of a beauty shop or salon certified pursuant to present law.
- (3) An owner of an accredited cosmetology school, who has been the owner for more than five years.

(4) A teacher or instructor of cosmetology in this state.

Present law provides that board members shall not all be graduates of the same school, that no more than four board members shall be connected directly or indirectly with a school of cosmetology, and that a board member shall recuse himself when there is a conflict.

Proposed law amends present law with clarification language.

Present law provides for fees for a cosmetologist, esthetician, manicurist, teacher/instructor and manager for both residents and nonresidents.

Proposed law amends present law to make a base fee of \$50.

Present law provides for fees for a beauty shop or salon, mobile salon, and home care for both residents and nonresidents.

Proposed law amends present law to make a base fee of \$55.

Present law provides that the initial inspection fee for salon, mobile salon, or booth rental shall be \$25.

Proposed law increases the fee from \$25 to \$50.

Present law provides for fees for a booth permit, a special permit, and a temporary permit.

Proposed law increases the fee from \$25 to \$50.

Present law provides that the fee for initial certificate of registration for a school be \$315 for a resident and \$615 for a nonresident.

Proposed law amends present law to make it a base fee of \$340.

Present law provides that the fee for a renewal of certificate of registration for a school for a resident be \$165 and for a nonresident be \$465.

Proposed law amends present law to make it a base fee of \$190.

Present law provides that the fee for failure to timely renew be \$150.

Proposed law increases the fee from \$150 to \$175.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 37:571(B), 572(B)-(E), and 599(A)(2), (5), and (6))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make technical changes.
2. Increase the fee for a booth permit, special permit, or temporary permit from \$25 to \$50.