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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2243

As Amended by House Committee on
Health and Human Services

Brief*

HB 2243, as amended, would amend requirements for the renewal of the Board of Cosmetology licensees. The bill would delete a statutory requirement for the development of a written booklet that must be transmitted with the written renewal examination. The written renewal examination would test the applicant's understanding of infection control (health and sanitation, in current law) matters. The Board will be required to provide notice of the date of expiration of the license, at least 30 days prior to the license expiration.

The bill also would increase the following statutory maximum fees the Board is allowed to charge for:

- Delinquent cosmetology technician fee, \$35 (currently \$25);
- Delinquent electrologist renewal fee, \$35 (currently \$25);
- Delinquent manicurist renewal fee, \$35 (currently \$25);
- Delinquent esthetician renewal fee, \$35 (currently \$25); and
- Delinquent cosmetology services salon or electrology clinic renewal fee, \$35 (currently \$30).

The bill would become effective upon publication in the *Kansas Register*.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

Background

The bill was introduced at the request of the Kansas Board of Cosmetology whose representative indicated that both the practitioner and agency will benefit from the reduced mailing costs, a potential reduction in annual expenses for the Board of \$5,184. Additionally, the representative spoke to fee revisions, noting that the Board processes over 1,000 delinquent practitioner renewals each year and those late payments adversely impact the work processes for accounting and licensure staff. There were no other proponents and no opponents present at the time of the Committee hearing.

The House Committee on Health and Human Services recommended an amendment to require the Board to provide notice of the expiration date of a license to the licensee. The Committee further amended the bill to delete statutory fee increases that were not associated with delinquent renewals. The amendments were requested by the Board of Cosmetology in consultation with the Committee.

The fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the original bill states that the Kansas Board of Cosmetology indicates that deleting the provision on mailings would allow it to implement on-line renewals for practitioners in the cosmetology professions, which would reduce agency expenditures. According to the Board, it currently costs \$1.89 to send out a renewal packet, for an annual expense of \$20,412. It costs \$0.48 for an online renewal, which would lower the annual expense to \$5,184. The Board also estimates that the fees for delinquent renewals would increase agency revenue by \$10,970 based on 1,097 delinquent renewals sent out in FY 2008 (1,097 X \$10). The fee to increase school license renewals would generate an estimated \$1,950 based on 26 schools (26 X \$75), the apprentice license fee increase would increase revenue to the Board by an estimated \$22,000 from 2,200 apprentice licenses issued in FY 2008 (2,200 X \$10), and the temporary permit increase would generate estimated revenue of

\$10,000 based on 1,000 temporary permits issued in FY 2008 (1,000 X \$10). The Board indicates that fees may need to be increased in the 12 to 18 months if the bill is enacted. [The school license renewal fees and apprentice license fees would not be increased in the House Committee version]. Any fiscal effect resulting from the enactment of this bill has not been included in *The FY 2010 Governor's Budget Report*.