



To: Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee
The Honorable Mary Pilcher-Cook, Chair

From: Matthew Goss, Board Member
Kansas Board of Cosmetology

Date: February 11, 2016

Re: Proponent Testimony on SB344

Chairman Pilcher-Cook and members of the Committee, my name is Matthew Goss, I have been a Kansas resident for 20 years. I have been a licensed tattoo artist for 10 years and a trainer and shop owner for 5 years. I am appointed by the Governor to serve on the Board as a representative of the body art community.

In addition to regulating cosmetology professions, the Board regulates tattoo artists, body piercers and tanning facilities. The body art community in this state would like the name of the Board to better represent us and our profession. We are very proud of our profession and we would like for the profession to be recognized individually. Changing the name of the Board to the "Kansas Board of Beauty and Body Professions" would better represent our community.

Thank you for the opportunity to appear.