

February 14, 2023

The Honorable Kyle Hoffman, Chairperson
House Committee on General Government Budget
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 281-N
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Representative Hoffman:

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note for HB 2305 by House Committee on General Government Budget

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning HB 2305 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

HB 2305 would authorize the Board of Barbering to issue a senior status license to a barber who no longer practices barbering but has been licensed as a barber for a total of at least 40 years, is at least 70 years of age, and has paid a one-time fee prescribed by the Board.

Currently, the barbering licensing examination consists of two parts: a practical demonstration and a written examination of the applicant's knowledge of hygiene and the fundamentals of the barbering. The bill would expand the scope of the barbering licensure examination, as approved by the Board, to specify the practical demonstration would be based on "skills" and a second written examination would test an applicant's knowledge of state laws and rules and regulations pertaining to the practice of barbering. To receive a barber's license the applicant would have to pass all parts of the examination with at least an 80.0 percent on the practical skills demonstration and at least a 75.0 percent on the written examinations. The bill would also allow the Board to charge and collect fees for:

1. For practical skills demonstration—not more than \$150;
2. For reexamination of practical skills demonstration—not more than \$150;
3. For reexamination of the written examination of applicant to practice barbering—not more than \$150;
4. For issuance of a senior status license—not more than \$80; and
5. For restoration of license from senior status license—not more than \$80.

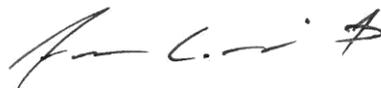
The bill would also increase the fee for written examination of applicant to practice barbering from \$100 to \$150.

HB 2305 would allow the Board of Barber to charge two different examination fees, up to \$150 for the practical skills demonstration and up to \$150 for the written examination. The Board's current fee of \$100 for the barbering examination covers a practical demonstration and a written examination, with \$76 paid to the testing company for the computer-based written examination and \$24 for administering the practical demonstration. The Board indicates even though HB 2305 would increase the statutory fee cap for written examinations to \$150 it would continue to charge its current rate of \$100 for the written examination.

The Board estimates enactment of HB 2305 would result in additional revenue of \$15,000 in FY 2024 from the practical skills demonstration fees. The Board would charge a \$100 fee for the practical skills demonstration. Assuming, that 150 examinees would take the practical skills demonstration, the revenue generated would be \$15,000 (150 x \$100). The Board indicates that six practical demonstration sessions are held each fiscal year and each session costs \$2,200.

In addition, the Board indicates it would use existing resources to print the Senior Status license. The Department of Administration's Division of Printing prints the Board's licenses at a cost of \$200 for a box of 100. Although the Board would order 100 Senior Status licenses, the Board estimates that it would only issue 15 based on number of inquiries about Senior Status licenses it has received in previous years. The Board indicates providing the Senior Status license could be a loss after FY 2024 because the bill would not require the license to be renewed; however, the agency could not estimate the loss in revenue. Any fiscal effect associated with HB 2305 is not reflected in *The FY 2024 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Cassiopeia Capps, Board of Barbering