

January 26, 2024

The Honorable Beverly Gossage, Chairperson  
Senate Committee on Public Health and Welfare  
300 SW 10th Avenue, Room 142-S  
Topeka, Kansas 66612

Dear Senator Gossage:

**SUBJECT:** Fiscal Note for SB 363 by Senate Committee on Local Government

In accordance with KSA 75-3715a, the following fiscal note concerning SB 363 is respectfully submitted to your committee.

SB 363 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 65 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. SB 363 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 examination. 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.

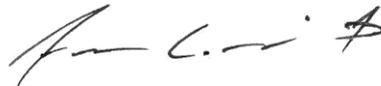
The bill would also increase the fee for written examination of applicant to practice barbering from \$100 to \$150.

The bill would allow the Board of Barbering 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 SB 363 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 SB 363 would result in additional revenue of \$13,000 in FY 2025 and FY 2026 from the practical skills demonstration fees for the Board of Barbering Fee Fund. The Board would charge a \$100 fee for the practical skills demonstration. Assuming, that 130 examinees would take the practical skills demonstration, the revenue generated would be \$13,000 (130 x \$100). Based on current law, 10.0 percent of the revenue would be transferred to the State General Fund, and the balance would go to the Board of Barbering Fee Fund. The Board indicates that five practical demonstration sessions are held each fiscal year and each session costs \$2,300.

In addition, the Board estimates it would cost \$200 to have the Department of Administration print the senior status licenses. The Board would absorb the printing cost within existing resources. The Board estimates that it would only issue 15 such licenses based on number of inquiries about senior status licenses it has received in previous years. The agency estimates 15 senior licensees would generate \$1,200 (15 x \$80) in revenues. The Board further provides that issuing the senior status license could be a loss in revenues after FY 2025 because the bill would not require the license to be renewed. Any fiscal effect associated with SB 363 is not reflected in *The FY 2025 Governor's Budget Report*.

Sincerely,



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Director of the Budget

cc: Cassiopeia Capps, Board of Barbering