

Mr. Chairman, Senator Larsen, and Committee members,
I am Maureen Wanner, President of the State Board of Cosmetology.

Today I am introducing Sente Bill 2092 and I am submitting an amendment to that bill.

We, the State Board of Cosmetology, tiredly went through our laws word by word. Our goal was to clean up outdated language and definitions, add in definitions that are needed, create consistency in repeated language, and clarify the grey areas.

We want our laws to be better understood by our industry's professionals and future professionals. And, for those coming into our state from other states and especially other countries.

We wanted to better outline what our industry's professionals could do within the scope of their license.

Page 6. Line 10-14 and Page 14. Line 15-18

Our amendment includes "nurse practitioner" into the bill where we are also adding in "physician assistant".

Page 8. Line 16

In 43-11-16 letter b, we are seeking to lower the minimum requirement of training and instruction in cosmetology to fifteen hundred hours from eighteen hundred hours so our future professionals can get into the field sooner, making money sooner. This is a minimum requirement. Schools can maintain any number of hours above the minimum requirement.

Our states boarder is lined with Mn at 1550 hours, SD at 1500 hours and MT at 1500 hours. New cosmetologists on the east side of our state are having trouble getting started in our state due to lack of school hours and the lack of work experience. We are aware that some students go to school in other states and then come back here or because of life end up in ND. We want to accommodate as many as we can without harm to the public. This does not say that schools could not have advanced classes for those students wanting to gain more education before entering the work force. And remaining is the 1000 hours (page 14, line 10 & 11) our licensed professionals will need to obtain their master license. This 1000 hour is for their employers to work with them, mentor them and train licensees to work on their own with confidence.

Page 12. Lines 21-24


We did not want to hold up students from retaking their test if failed twice or more. We want them to be able to retake without attending more schooling. Nerves and language barriers are sometimes their problem more so than needing more schooling.

Page 13. Lines 28-31 and page 14. Lines 1-3

We want individuals coming from foreign lands to know that their credits, qualifications, and work experiences are important to us.

Page 14. Lines 6-18

43-11-26 we are clarifying how a master license can be obtained.

 Page 17. Lines 23-31 and page 18. Lines 1-19

43-11-29 is a big section we redid for better clarification on license renewal. We also create leniency to licensees who, for whatever life reason, have missed renewing their license. Instead retesting after

missing the renewal date two years in a row, its up to five years. The testing is of course because laws and rules change and its information they need to know.

As you can see, there are changes, clean up and clarifications.

Thank you for your time.

Submitted by Maureen Wanner, President, State Board of Cosmetology

Amendments to SB 2092

Page 6. Line 10-14

Skin care provided by a licensed cosmetologist or esthetician outside of a licensed salon if the services are being provided under the supervision, control, and responsibility of a physician or physician assistant practicing within the scope of the physician's or physician assistant's license under chapter 43-17, or a nurse practitioner or nurse practicing within the scope of the nurse's license under chapter 43-12.1.

Page 14. Line 15-18

Cosmetologists and estheticians may obtain a master license under the direction, control, and responsibility of a physician or physician assistant practicing within the scope of licensure under chapter 43 - 17 or a nurse practitioner or a nurse practicing within the scope of the nurse's license under chapter 43 - 12.1.