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Hello,

My name is Ashley Johnson I am the Sec./Treasurer for the ND State Board of Barber Examiners. I am providing testimony in support of HB 1112. HB1112 will update three of our current century codes to benefit the barbering trade in North Dakota.

The first update to NDCC 43-04-03 will further protect our trade name as barbers, barbershop owners, and the use of a Barber pole. As it stands now, exempt individuals from our century codes such as cosmetologists, can and have been advertising that they are barbers, barbershop owners or using the Barber Pole. Allowing the advertisement to continue devalues our current and future Barber License holders.

The second update is to NDCC 43-04-12 to allow us to allocate more money from our own funds to provide a better continuing education program for the Barbers in the state of North Dakota to use. The barber board in the last few years has seen a steady increase in the cost of providing a program to the barbers. We have been using five dollars from every Master Barber License and we want to use no less than ten dollars per license. We want to be able to put forth a program that can hire leading Barbers in the industry to teach us new and upcoming education in our trade.

The third update is to NDCC 43-04-41 regarding our hearing process. We were given legal counsel that changing this century code would help in future proceedings. We are updating this to use NDCC 28-32 to be more in line with the other boards in the state of North Dakota.

Thank you for taking the time to consider the changes we are asking to be made. Please vote in favor of these changes to better the ND Barbering trade.

Thank you,

Ashley Johnson
Secretary/Treasurer
N.D. State Board of Barber Examiners

