

# HB5879



## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB5879

Introduced 11/12/2024, by Rep. Sonya M. Harper

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 410/3-2  
225 ILCS 410/3-3

from Ch. 111, par. 1703-2  
from Ch. 111, par. 1703-3

Amends the Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985. Requires a person seeking licensure as a cosmetologist to complete training on the properties of the hair and all hair types and textures, including coil, curl, or wave patterns, hair strand thicknesses, and volumes of hair.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair  
5 Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985 is amended by  
6 changing Sections 3-2 and 3-3 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 410/3-2) (from Ch. 111, par. 1703-2)

8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

9 Sec. 3-2. Licensure; qualifications.

10 (1) A person is qualified to receive a license as a  
11 cosmetologist who has filed an application on forms provided  
12 by the Department, pays the required fees, and:

13 a. Is at least 16 years of age; and

14 b. Is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance  
15 or has received a certificate of graduation from a school  
16 providing secondary education, or the recognized  
17 equivalent of that certificate; and

18 c. Has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved  
19 by the Department, having completed a program of 1,500  
20 hours in the study of cosmetology extending over a period  
21 of not less than 8 months nor more than 7 consecutive  
22 years. A school of cosmetology may, at its discretion,  
23 consistent with the rules of the Department, accept up to

1 1,000 hours of barber school training at a recognized  
2 barber school toward the 1,500 hour program requirement of  
3 cosmetology. Time spent in such study under the laws of  
4 another state or territory of the United States or of a  
5 foreign country or province shall be credited toward the  
6 period of study required by the provisions of this  
7 paragraph; and

8 c-5. Has completed training on the properties of the  
9 hair and all hair types and textures, including coil,  
10 curl, or wave patterns, hair strand thicknesses, and  
11 volumes of hair; and

12 d. Has passed an examination authorized by the  
13 Department to determine eligibility to receive a license  
14 as a cosmetologist; and

15 e. Has met any other requirements of this Act.

16 (2) (Blank).

17 (Source: P.A. 99-427, eff. 8-21-15.)

18 (225 ILCS 410/3-3) (from Ch. 111, par. 1703-3)

19 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)

20 Sec. 3-3. Licensure as a cosmetologist by a barber school  
21 graduate. A person is qualified to receive a license as a  
22 cosmetologist if that person has filed an application on forms  
23 provided by the Department, has paid the required fees, and:

24 a. Is at least 16 years of age; and

25 b. Has a certificate of graduation from a school

1 providing secondary education, or the recognized  
2 equivalent of such a certificate, or is beyond the age of  
3 compulsory school attendance; and

4 c. Has graduated from a school of barbering approved  
5 by the Department having completed 1500 hours in the study  
6 of barbering, and a minimum of 500 additional hours in the  
7 study of cosmetology extending over a period of no less  
8 than 3 months nor more than one year. Time spent in such  
9 study under the laws of another state or territory of the  
10 United States or of a foreign country or province shall be  
11 credited toward the period of study required by the  
12 provisions of this paragraph; and

13 c-5. Has completed training on the properties of the  
14 hair and all hair types and textures, including coil,  
15 curl, or wave patterns, hair strand thicknesses, and  
16 volumes of hair; and

17 d. Has passed an examination authorized by the  
18 Department to determine fitness to receive a license as a  
19 cosmetologist; and

20 e. Has met any other requirements of this Act.

21 (Source: P.A. 99-427, eff. 8-21-15.)