

## 103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB5879

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 410/3-2 from Ch. 111, par. 1703-2 225 ILCS 410/3-3 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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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding, and Nail Technology Act of 1985 is amended by 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- 8 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2026)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:
- a. Is at least 16 years of age; and
  - b. Is beyond the age of compulsory school attendance or has received a certificate of graduation from a school providing secondary education, or the recognized equivalent of that certificate; and
  - c. Has graduated from a school of cosmetology approved by the Department, having completed a program of 1,500 hours in the study of cosmetology extending over a period of not less than 8 months nor more than 7 consecutive years. A school of cosmetology may, at its discretion, consistent with the rules of the Department, accept up to

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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

- c-5. Has completed 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; and
- d. Has passed an examination authorized by the
  Department to determine eligibility to receive a license
  as a cosmetologist; and
  - 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)
- Sec. 3-3. Licensure as a cosmetologist by a barber school graduate. A person is qualified to receive a license as a cosmetologist if that person has filed an application on forms 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

providing	secondary	education,	or	the	recogni	zed
equivalent	of such a	certificate,	or is	beyond	the age	of
compulsory	school atte	endance; and				

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

c-5. Has completed 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; and

- d. Has passed an examination authorized by the Department to determine fitness to receive a license as a cosmetologist; and
- e. Has met any other requirements of this Act.
- 21 (Source: P.A. 99-427, eff. 8-21-15.)