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House Bill 2325

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Committee on Government Organization]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §30-27-10 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
2 to removing the requirement of continuing education for barbers and cosmetologists.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 27. BOARD OF BARBERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS.

§30-27-10. Professional license and certificate renewal requirements.

1 (a) A professional licensee and certificate holder shall annually on or before January 1,
2 renew his or her professional license or certificate by completing a form prescribed by the board,
3 paying the renewal fee, and submitting any other information required by the board.

4 (b) The board shall charge a fee for each renewal of a license or certificate, and a late fee
5 for any renewal not paid by the due date.

6 ~~(c) The board shall require as a condition of renewal of a professional license or certificate~~
7 ~~that each licensee or certificate holder complete continuing education; subject to the following~~
8 ~~exceptions:~~

9 ~~(1) When a barber or cosmetologist has been licensed and in practice for ten years, that~~
10 ~~barber or cosmetologist will not be required to complete any continuing education other than a~~
11 ~~three-hour sanitation class every other year for a period of ten years; and~~

12 ~~(2) A person, who by education and experience qualifies to be a barber and a~~
13 ~~cosmetologist or a barber crossover or cosmetologist crossover, may elect to be licensed solely~~
14 ~~as a barber and shall not be required to attend or participate in continuing education programs~~
15 ~~that are not required of licensed barbers.~~

16 ~~(d) The board may approve for continuing education credit any education course providing~~
17 ~~instruction in any curriculum, subject matter or discipline included in the education required for~~
18 ~~licensure that is submitted to the board or offered by:~~

19 ~~(1) A licensed school or instructor, outside of school instruction;~~

20 ~~(2) A manufacturer or distributor of barbering, aesthetics, nail technology or cosmetology~~

- 21 products;
- 22 ~~(3) A barber or cosmetology trade organization; or~~
- 23 ~~(4) Any course offered at an accredited private or public university, college or community~~
- 24 ~~college in this state that relates to the profession or a general business class~~
- 25 ~~(e)~~ (c) The board may deny an application for renewal for any reason which would justify
- 26 the denial of an original application for a license or certificate.
- 27 ~~(f)~~ (d) The board shall recognize reciprocity for military barbers for the purpose of the state
- 28 examination for barbers.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to remove the requirement that barbers and cosmetologists must complete continuing education to renew their licenses.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.