

# HOUSE BILL REPORT

## HB 2202

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**As Reported by House Committee On:**  
Commerce & Labor

**Title:** An act relating to cosmetology apprenticeship.

**Brief Description:** Providing for cosmetology apprenticeships.

**Sponsors:** Representatives McDonald and Conway.

**Brief History:**

**Committee Activity:**

Commerce & Labor: 3/4/03 [DPS].

**Brief Summary of Substitute Bill**

- Allows individuals who successfully complete a cosmetology apprenticeship program to take the test to become licensed.

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

**Majority Report:** The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 9 members: Representatives Conway, Chair; Wood, Vice Chair; Chandler, Ranking Minority Member; Condotta, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Crouse, Holmquist, Hudgins, Kenney and McCoy.

**Staff:** Matt Cooper (786-7106).

**Background:**

Individuals training for a license in cosmetology (to include barbering, esthetics, and manicuring) must attend a cosmetology school licensed by the Department of Licensing (Department). A student in a cosmetology school may not earn a wage while working the required hours for a school program.

The requirements for licensing as a cosmetologist are:

- be over the age of 17;
- have graduated from a license cosmetology school; and

- have received a passing grade on the appropriate licensing exam approved by the director.

The Department of Labor and Industries, along with industry organizations, establish requirements for state-approved apprenticeship programs.

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**Summary of Substitute Bill:**

An apprentice in a state-approved cosmetology apprenticeship program is exempt from the licensing requirements. An apprentice may earn a wage while engaged in an apprenticeship program.

Individuals may become licensed in cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, or manicuring by successfully completing a state-approved apprenticeship program and passing the appropriate licensing exam.

The Director of the Department of Licensing may make rules regarding apprentices and apprenticeship programs.

**Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:**

The substitute bill clarifies that individuals may become licensed in cosmetology, barbering, esthetics, and manicuring by successfully completing an apprenticeship program and passing the appropriate exam.

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**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Effective Date of Substitute Bill:** The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Testimony For:** None.

**Testimony Against:** None.

**Testified:** None.