

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5821

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Financial Services, Insurance & Housing, February 27, 2003

Title: An act relating to providing an exemption to the licensing requirement for apprentices in cosmetology registered industry apprenticeship programs.

Brief Description: Providing an exemption to the licensing requirement for apprentices in cosmetology registered industry apprenticeship programs.

Sponsors: Senators Haugen, Horn and Kastama.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Financial Services, Insurance & Housing: 2/27/03 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INSURANCE & HOUSING

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Benton, Chair; Winsley, Vice Chair; Keiser, Prentice and Zarelli.

Staff: Alison Mendiola-Hamilton (786-7576)

Background: Cosmetologists in Washington State are required to be licensed. Cosmetology students who are enrolled in a school and perform services within their authorized scope of practice are not required to be licensed.

Summary of Bill: Cosmetology students engaged in a registered industry apprenticeship program who perform services within their authorized scope of practice are not required to be licensed.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: There is a lack of qualified cosmetologists. Now it takes six to eight months to get licensed, then another eight to 12 months to adequately train the cosmetologists in the salon. This would allow people to get to paid employment faster, by providing on-the-job training.

Testimony Against: When an apprentice finishes the program, they would not qualify to be licensed because the training did not occur in a school. I will work with proponents to draft better language.

Testified: Trudie Touchette, Dept. of Licensing (con); Timothy Corpus, Studio Donna (pro); Kay Hiral, WA State Cosm. App. Comm. Studio 904 (pro).