

**SENATE, No. 3540**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**220th LEGISLATURE**

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**SYNOPSIS**

Modifies languages that examinations are to be conducted in for applicants seeking professional license issued by New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning examinations for professional licenses issued  
2 by the New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling,  
3 and amending P.L.1984, c.205.

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5 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
6 *of New Jersey:*

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8 1. Section 27 of P.L.1984, c.205 (C.45:5B-27) is amended to  
9 read as follows:

10 27. All examinations conducted by the board pursuant to this  
11 act, including any examination required of a practicing licensee,  
12 shall consist of practical and written portions and **【may】** shall be  
13 administered in English, **【and in the case of practicing licensees, in**  
14 **Spanish or with the aid of a translator, if the board, in its discretion,**  
15 **deems that aid to be warranted】** with the option to provide the  
16 examinations in the four other languages most commonly spoken in  
17 the State. The Division of Consumers Affairs shall post on its  
18 Internet website the four other languages in which the practical and  
19 written examination are to be offered. The Director of the division  
20 shall, at least every five years, verify the four languages, other than  
21 English, most commonly spoken in the State.  
22 (cf: P.L.1991, c.313, s.3)

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24 2. This act shall take effect on the first day of the tenth month  
25 next after enactment.

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28 STATEMENT

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30 This bill modifies current law by requiring the New Jersey State  
31 Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling to offer its practical and  
32 written examinations in English and provide the option to offer the  
33 examinations in the four other most commonly spoken languages in  
34 the State. Existing law only requires the board to provide the  
35 examinations in English, with the option of Spanish in the case of  
36 practicing licensees (who may also be approved by the board for the  
37 use of a translator). The Division of Consumers Affairs is required  
38 to post on its Internet website the four other languages in which the  
39 practical and written examination will be offered. The director of  
40 the division is to verify, at least every five years, the four most  
41 commonly spoken languages, other than English, in New Jersey.

**EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**