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**SENATE, No. 3579**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
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**SYNOPSIS**

Allows teaching experience to be considered for out-of-State individuals seeking licensure from New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology and Hairstyling.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As reported by the Senate Commerce Committee on December 18, 2023, with amendments.



1 AN ACT concerning cosmetology and hairstyling licensure for out-  
 2 of-State individuals and amending P.L.1984, c.205.

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

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 7 1. Section 28 of P.L.1984, c.205 (C.45:5B-28) is amended to read  
 8 as follows:

9 28. a. Applicants possessing a license to render services in another  
 10 state or a foreign country, which services are included within the  
 11 definition of cosmetology and hairstyling as set forth in P.L.1984,  
 12 c.205 (C.45:5B-1 et seq.), may be issued a license as a cosmetologist-  
 13 hairstylist, beautician, barber, manicurist, hair braiding or skin care  
 14 specialist, as appropriate, without examination, provided, however,  
 15 that the state or country has established eligibility criteria substantially  
 16 similar to those established in this State, and the applicant has paid a  
 17 fee as required by the board and submitted certification from the  
 18 licensing jurisdiction. A person possessing a license to practice  
 19 cosmetology and hairstyling, beauty culture, barbering, manicuring,  
 20 hair braiding or skin care specialty services issued by a licensing  
 21 authority from another state or a foreign country which has established  
 22 eligibility criteria with respect to cosmetology and hairstyling, beauty  
 23 culture, barbering, manicuring, hair braiding or skin care specialty  
 24 training which are, in the opinion of the board, less stringent than those  
 25 required in this State may, nevertheless, be eligible for licensure  
 26 without examination, if he can present satisfactory evidence of prior  
 27 practical experience of three years working in a licensed shop in the  
 28 practice in which the applicant is seeking licensure or prior teaching  
 29 experience<sup>1</sup>, which, at the discretion of the board and as determined  
 30 by the board, shall be equivalent to all or part of the three years of  
 31 prior practical experience working in a licensed shop,<sup>1</sup> in a facility  
 32 licensed or otherwise approved by an agency in the other jurisdiction  
 33 to allow teaching in cosmetology and hairstyling services.

34 b. There is established a three-year pilot program, administered  
 35 by the board in consultation with the Division of Consumer Affairs in  
 36 the Department of Law and Public Safety, in any city of the second  
 37 class having a population of not less than 69,000 persons or more than  
 38 80,000 persons that is located in a county of the second class having a  
 39 population of not less than 500,000 persons or more than 510,000  
 40 persons, according to the 2010 federal decennial census, to permit a  
 41 person possessing a license to render barbering services in another  
 42 state or foreign country, which services are included within the  
 43 definition of barbering as set forth in section 3 of P.L.1984, c.205  
 44 (C.45:5B-3), to practice as a barber upon first arrival in this State and  
 45 while awaiting the issuance of a license as a barber pursuant to

**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.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Senate SCM committee amendments adopted December 18, 2023.

1 subsection a. of this section. A person that renders barbering services  
2 without a license, under the pilot program established pursuant to this  
3 subsection, shall not be in violation of section 14 of P.L.1995, c.82  
4 (C.45:5B-12.1) or any other provision of P.L.1984, c.205 (C.45:5B-1  
5 et seq.) that prohibits the practice of barbering without a license,  
6 provided that the person has made a good faith effort to obtain a  
7 license in this State pursuant to the provisions of subsection a. of this  
8 section and the person is under the direct supervision of a barber  
9 licensed in this State pursuant to P.L.1984, c.205 (C.45:5B-1 et seq.).  
10 c. The board, in consultation with the Division of Consumer  
11 Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety, shall submit a  
12 report evaluating the effectiveness of the pilot program established  
13 pursuant to subsection b. of this section to the Governor and, pursuant  
14 to the provisions of section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), the  
15 Legislature upon completion of the pilot program.  
16 (cf: P.L.2019, c.20, s.1)  
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18 2. This act shall take effect immediately.