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SENATE BILL NO. 1527

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Joint Conference Committee on February 27, 2009)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator McDougle)

A BILL to amend and reenact § 54.1-703.3 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology; estheticians; waiver of examination requirements.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 54.1-703.3 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 54.1-703.3. Waiver of examination; estheticians.

The Board shall waive the examination requirements for licensure as an esthetician or master esthetician for any individual who (i) makes application for licensure ~~between July 1, 2007, and July 1, 2008~~ *by July 31, 2009*; (ii) otherwise complies with Board regulations relating to moral turpitude; and (iii) meets any of the following conditions:

1. Has at least three years of documented work experience as an esthetician or a master esthetician *completed prior to July1, 2008* that is deemed satisfactory by the Board;

2. Has completed a training program *prior to July 1, 2008* that is deemed satisfactory by the Board; or

3. Holds an unexpired certificate of registration, certification, or license as an esthetician or a master esthetician issued to him *prior to July 1, 2008* on the basis of comparable requirements by a proper authority of a state, territory, or possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia.

2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.

3. That, notwithstanding the language § 54.1-703.3, the provisions of this Act shall not apply to applications for licensure submitted to the Board for Barbers and Cosmetology prior to the effective date of this Act.

4. That the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, provide widespread notification to those affected by the provisions of this Act.