

Chapter 251

(House Bill 1021)

AN ACT concerning

Business Occupations and Professions – Barbers – Additional Students

FOR the purpose of increasing the number of students authorized to work under the supervision of a master barber; and generally relating to the practice of barbering and the provision of barber–stylist services.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–101(a), (h), (j), (l), and (m)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Business Occupations and Professions
Section 4–301.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2018 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Business Occupations and Professions

4–101.

(a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

(h) (1) “License” means, unless the context requires otherwise, a license issued by the Board to practice barbering or to provide barber–stylist services.

(2) “License” includes, unless the context requires otherwise, each of the following licenses:

- (i) a master barber license;
- (ii) a barber license; and
- (iii) a barber–stylist limited license.

(j) “Master barber” means a barber who:

- (1) has at least 15 months experience as a licensed barber; and
- (2) has passed a test approved by the Board.

(l) (1) “Practice barbering” means to provide to an individual for compensation the service of:

- (i) cutting, razor cutting, styling, relaxing, body waving, shampooing, or coloring the hair;
- (ii) shaving or trimming the beard;
- (iii) massaging the face;
- (iv) designing, fitting, or cutting a hairpiece; or
- (v) performing any other similar procedure on the hair, beard, face, or hairpiece of the individual.

(2) “Practice barbering” does not include:

- (i) the mere sale of wigs or hairpieces; or
- (ii) the services performed by an employee under the supervision of a master barber in a barbershop that holds a barbershop permit that are restricted to:
 1. shampooing;
 2. removal of a hair solution;
 3. sterilization of equipment; or
 4. similar activities.

(m) “Provide barber–stylist services” means to provide to an individual for compensation the service of:

- (1) cutting, razor cutting, or styling the hair;
- (2) shaving or trimming the beard;
- (3) massaging the face; or
- (4) performing any other similar procedure on the hair, beard, or face of the individual.

4-301.2.

(a) Subject to the provisions of this section, a student who has completed at least 850 hours of training while enrolled in public school courses in barbering may practice barbering or provide barber–stylist services without a license.

(b) A student may practice barbering or provide barber–stylist services under this section only if the student:

(1) is enrolled in an approved barbering program and has a record of satisfactory school performance and school attendance, as determined by the local education agency;

(2) has a letter of authorization signed by the student’s teacher or work–study coordinator, to practice barbering or to provide barber–stylist services in a specific licensed barbershop;

(3) practices barbering or provides barber–stylist services only in that specific licensed barbershop; and

(4) while practicing barbering or providing barber–stylist services, works under the direct supervision of an individual who is a licensed master barber who agrees to periodically report on the progress of the student to the barbering teacher or the work–study coordinator.

(c) Under this section, there may not be more than [one student] **THREE STUDENTS** working under the supervision of a licensed master barber.

(d) A barbershop may pay a student for work authorized under this section.

(e) A student authorized under this section to practice barbering or to provide barber–stylist services without a license shall conspicuously display a letter of authorization, as required by this section, at the student’s work station in the specified licensed barbershop.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019.

Approved by the Governor, April 30, 2019.