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HB1317-Barbers - Employment of Apprentice Barbers - Alterations
Bill Hearing: 3/23/21 Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

Chairman Paul Pinsky, Vice Chair Cheryl Kagan, and members of the Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee,

HB1317 increases the number of apprentice barbers that a barbershop may employ at the same time per master barber, from one to three, and removes the overall three-apprentice limit. Under the current law, a barbershop may not employ more than one apprentice barber per master barber and may not employ more than three apprentices in total. Barbershops are generally small businesses. Under the bill, a barbershop may potentially hire more apprentices, depending on how many master barbers work at a particular barbershop.

This bill was previously introduced as HB 1041 in the 2020 legislative session, and was passed in the House, however when it was referred to the Senate because the session ended early no further action was taken.

We urge the committee to vote favorably on HB 1317.

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