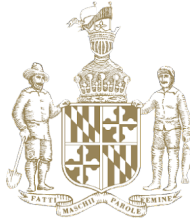


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HB0448 - State Board of Cosmetology - Licensees - Supervision of Apprentices
Bill Hearing: 3/24/22 Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

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

HB0448 increases the number of apprentice cosmetologists that a salon may employ at the same time per senior licensed cosmetologist or an individual with a limited license may supervise at the same time, from one to two. This bill will authorize a licensed senior cosmetologist to train and supervise up to two apprentices learning to practice cosmetology or any limited practice of cosmetology (e.g., hair services, nail technicians, or esthetic services). In addition, this bill also authorizes an individual with specified limited licenses who has two or more years of experience in the relevant field to directly train and supervise up to two apprentices learning the same limited practice. Under the current law, a salon may not employ more than one apprentice cosmetologist per senior licensed cosmetologist. Salons are generally small businesses. Under the bill, a salon may potentially hire more apprentices, depending on how many senior licensed cosmetologists work at a particular salon.

We urge the committee to vote favorably on HB 0448.

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