

House Bill 1024

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 43-10-14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 study of cosmetology by persons 17 years of age or older, so as to lower to 16 years the age
3 of persons authorized to study cosmetology; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
4 purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Code Section 43-10-14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the study of
8 cosmetology by persons 17 years of age or older, is amended by striking subsection (a) and
9 inserting in lieu thereof a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

10 "(a) Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from
11 learning the occupation of cosmetology under a master cosmetologist, provided that such
12 cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience and has held a certificate of a master
13 cosmetologist for at least 36 months. In addition, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any
14 person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of cosmetology under an
15 instructor in a school of cosmetology who has been a cosmetologist for a period of at least
16 one year and has registered under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any
17 person at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age from learning the occupation of esthetics under a
18 cosmetologist holding a master cosmetologist certificate or an esthetician certificate,
19 provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience, or under an
20 instructor in a school of cosmetology or school of esthetics who has held a certificate as a
21 cosmetologist for a period of at least one year, is qualified to teach said practices, and has
22 registered under this chapter. Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit any person at least ~~17~~
23 16 years of age from learning the occupation of nail care or manicuring under a
24 cosmetologist holding a master cosmetologist certificate or a nail technician certificate,
25 provided that such cosmetologist has had at least 36 months' experience, or under an
26 instructor in a school of cosmetology or school of nail care who has been a licensed

1 cosmetologist for a period of at least one year, is qualified to teach said practices, and has
2 registered under this chapter. Any person registered as an apprentice under this Code
3 section on June 30, 1997, shall be eligible to continue such apprenticeship under the person
4 from whom that apprentice was learning the occupation of cosmetology, esthetics, or nail
5 care or manicuring at the time of registration notwithstanding that the person under whom
6 the apprentice was learning such occupation does not meet the 36 months' experience
7 otherwise required by this Code section. Every shop owner shall have the responsibility for
8 registering apprentices with the division director. The shop owner shall file a statement in
9 writing, showing the apprentice's name and the address of the shop. The board shall have
10 the authority to require the shop owner to furnish to the board the number of hours
11 completed by the apprentice. The shop owner shall remit to the division director a fee in
12 such amount as shall be set by the board by regulation for the registration of the apprentice.
13 The apprentice shall receive a certificate of registration showing the capacity in which he
14 or she is permitted to practice cosmetology. The certificate of registration shall be effective
15 for a period of two years and may be renewed at the end of such period upon the filing of
16 an application on forms furnished by the division director and the payment of a renewal fee
17 in such amount as shall be set by the board by regulation. A certificate of registration
18 authorizing a person to learn the occupation of cosmetology under a cosmetologist shall
19 not be renewed more than one time; and, upon the expiration of the last certificate of
20 registration issued, such person shall not be permitted to practice in any capacity."

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SECTION 2.

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.