

Senate Bill 424

By: Senator Grant of the 25th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 7 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 barbering, so as to change certain requirements related to obtaining a license to practice
3 barbering; to provide for exceptions; to change certain provisions relating to the requirements
4 for a license to operate barbershop and a license to apprentice as a barber; to provide for
5 related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other
6 purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

9 Chapter 7 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia, relating to barbering, is amended in
10 subsection (a) of Code Section 43-7-11, relating to the requirements for a license to practice
11 barbering and work permits, as follows:

12 "(a) A license to practice barbering shall be issued to any person who:

13 (1) Is at least 16 years of age;

14 (2) Has ~~completed the seventh grade of school instruction~~ a high school diploma or its
15 equivalent; provided, however, that such educational requirement may be waived by the
16 board for good cause as determined by the board for an applicant who is enrolled in or
17 has graduated from a board approved course of study as of July 1, 2008;

18 (3) Has completed a prescribed course of study of at least 1,500 hours in a licensed or
19 approved barber school or in a program approved by the Department of Technical and
20 Adult Education or has served as an apprentice in a barbershop for 3,000 hours under the
21 supervision of a master barber; and

22 (4) Satisfactorily passes a written and practical examination prepared or approved by the
23 board."

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 43-7-12, relating to the requirements for a license to operate a barbershop, as follows:

"43-7-12.

A license to operate a barbershop shall be issued, renewed, or restored to any person who can show that such barbershop:

(1) Provides and maintains such physical and sanitary facilities and equipment as may be required by law and the rules and regulations of the board;

(2) Does not train more than ~~one apprentice~~ three apprentices at any one time, ~~which apprentice~~ and that each such apprentice shall be ~~under the supervision of a~~ trained and supervised by a separate master barber; and

(3) Does business only at the location shown on the application for licensure."

SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 43-7-16, relating to the requirements for a license as an apprentice barber, as follows:

"43-7-16.

(a) A license to practice barbering as an apprentice shall be issued to any ~~person~~ applicant who shall furnish the board evidence that such applicant:

(1) ~~Evidence that he will~~ Will practice under the supervision of a licensed barber with at least 18 months' experience in the practice of barbering; and

(2) ~~Evidence that he has completed the fifth grade of school instruction or its equivalent~~ Is 16 years of age or older.

(b) A license to practice barbering as an apprentice shall not be renewed more than one time."

SECTION 4.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2008.

SECTION 5.

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