Department of Planning and Budget 2025 General Assembly Session State Fiscal Impact Statement

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Bill Number: HB 2669 E **Patron:** Walker **Bill Title:** Cosmetologist and cosmetology; amending definitions

Bill Summary: Amends the definitions of cosmetologist and cosmetology to clarify that cosmetic treatments are not included in such definitions.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No Items Impacted: None

Explanation: This bill will impact the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR),

however no budget action is needed.

Fiscal Summary: It is anticipated that any fiscal impact to DPOR can be absorbed within existing resources.

Nongeneral Fund Expenditure Impact:

<u>Agency</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>FY2030</u>
DPOR	-	\$71,680	-	-	-	-
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TOTAL	-	\$71,680	-	-	-	-

Fiscal Analysis: Currently, cosmetologists are licensed mainly through training requirements and passing an examination. Their current scope of practice allows them to perform straight razor shaving and additional advanced cosmetic treatments. The bill would require DPOR's Board of Barbers and Cosmetology to amend its regulations to implement the changes to the curriculum topics and performances for cosmetology schools, examinations and regulant exceptions. The Board would also need to review any changes to the curriculum of all licensed cosmetology schools.

DPOR anticipates that four additional board meetings and two committee meetings will be required to develop licensure guidelines and review training programs at a cost of \$3,420 per meeting. Updates to software systems for licensing will be required, with an estimated one-time cost of \$40,000. DPOR estimates that 900 hours of temporary staffing, at a rate of \$20 per hour, will be required to process the applications in a timely manner, resulting in a cost of \$18,000.

To comply with the Callahan Act, the Board would need to adjust fees if revenues are unable to support expenses, or if revenues exceed expenses by more than 20 percent. It is anticipated that the impact of this bill

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can be absorbed within existing appropriation, however the cumulative impact of all bills being considered may not be absorbable for DPOR.

This impact statement is preliminary and may be updated if additional information becomes available.

Other: None.