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HOUSE BILL NO. 186

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Chapter 7 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-708, relating to professions and occupations; barbers and cosmetologists; estheticians; permanent make-up specialty licensure; licensure by endorsement.

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Committee Referral Pending

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Chapter 7 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-708 as follows:

§ 54.1-708. Estheticians; permanent make-up specialty licensure; licensure by endorsement.

A. The Board may issue a permanent make-up specialty license to any licensed esthetician or master esthetician who performs permanent make-up services, including permanent eyebrow, eyeliner, lip coloration, and similar pigmentation services. The Board shall promulgate regulations consistent with this section to permit licensed estheticians or master estheticians to be granted permanent make-up specialty licenses.

B. The Board may issue a permanent make-up specialty license to any licensed esthetician or master esthetician by endorsement to perform permanent make-up services to persons who have held a current and unrestricted license to perform such services in other states, the District of Columbia, or possessions or territories of the United States for at least three years. The applicant for such license shall present to the Board satisfactory evidence of the qualifications equal to those required of applicants for licensure in the Commonwealth and that he was licensed in such other jurisdiction. The standard of competence required in such other jurisdiction shall not be lower than that required in the Commonwealth.