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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: House Committee on General Government Budget

From: Office of Revisor of Statutes

Date: February 14, 2023

Subject: HB 2305: Amending statutes regulating the practice of barbering

regarding licensure, examinations and fees.

House bill 2305 amends multiple statutes related to barbering licensure. The bill amends the definition of "barber school" or "barber college" to "barber school or college" and is reflected throughout the bill – sometimes being the only amended language in the section. The definitions also include a new definition of "senior status license" which is "a license issued to a barber pursuant to the K.S.A. 65-1812."

K.S.A. 65-1812 lists qualifications for a barbering license. The statute would be amended to allow the board to issue a "senior status license" to a barber who doesn't practice any longer but had been licensed for at least 40 years, is 70 years old and pays a fee to the board.

K.S.A. 65-1815 is a statute that deals with examinations and would be amended to limit examinations to examination that are approved by the board. The examinations shall a practical skills demonstration, a written examination on hygiene and a written examination on state law and rules and regulations pertaining to barbering. An applicant must pass all three examinations with no less than an 80% on the practical skills demonstration and no less than a 75% on the two written examinations. The board may allow an applicant to retake a failed examination.

K.S.A. 65-1817 sets fees for the board. The bill would add fees of not more than \$150 for the practical skills demonstration, reexamination of such demonstration, the written examinations, and reexaminations of such written examinations. The bill would set the fees of not more than \$80 for issuance or restoration of a senior status licensure.