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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION**

**STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY**

CHAPTER35

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 40‑13‑60 and 40‑13‑70

35‑13. Out of State Applicants.

**Synopsis:**

The State Board of Cosmetology proposes revising its regulations regarding licensure for out‑of‑state applicants.

A Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on August 23, 2024.

**Instructions:**

Print the regulation as shown below. All other items remain unchanged.

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**Text:**

35‑13. ~~Out of State Applicants~~Endorsement Licensure.

A person currently licensed ~~or certified~~ to practice in another state or territorial possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia, whose license is in good standing, may be issued a license in this State by endorsement upon submission of an application and the applicable fee, and showing that ~~if~~ the person has:

(a) satisfactorily passed a nationally recognized examination for entry into the profession; or~~.~~

(b)(i) been licensed for at least two years in another state or territorial possession of the United States or the District of Columbia, and

(ii) completes four hours of Board‑approved continuing education, either in person or online, in South Carolina state laws and regulations, client safety, and/or infection control to include sanitation and disinfection. Completion of these hours will also satisfy the continuing education requirements for renewal of this license for the subsequent licensing period immediately following the issuance of the license.

**Fiscal Impact Statement:**

There will be no cost incurred by the State or any of its political subdivisions for these regulations.

**Statement of Rationale:**

The proposed regulation would allow applicants who have been licensed for two years in another state and whose licenses are in good standing to complete four hours of South Carolina continuing education as an alternative means of licensure by endorsement in addition to licensure by passage of a national exam.