**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40‑7‑20, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF “HAIR BRAIDING” ASSOCIATED WITH THE LICENSURE AND REGULATION OF BARBERS, SO AS TO PERMIT THE USE OF HAIR EXTENSIONS IN HAIR BRAIDING, EXCEPT IN PUBLIC PLACES.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 40‑7‑20(2) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(2) ‘Hair braiding’ means the weaving or interweaving of natural human hair for compensation without cutting, coloring, permanent waving, relaxing, removing, or chemical treatment ~~and does not include the use of hair extensions or wefts~~. Hair braiding also includes the use of hair extensions, except when used in public places, including, but not limited to, beaches, parks, and sidewalks.”

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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