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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

In reviewing the recent recommendations made by the Sunset Committee I oppose the elimination of the Cosmetology Instructor license. College level educators who teach this discipline have through the first level of education which is the 1500 hours to receive the Cosmetology Operators licensing and many get their Associates Degree during this phase. Then they work in the field for a minimum of five years before applying to the Instructors program.

Once accepted, they spend another two years earning their degree in education to learn how to be a teacher.

Just like all other teachers they must go through the proper education so that they are knowledgeable in handling classroom management, conflict resolution, and in recognizing every individual student's learning style.

These teaching skills are important so as to ensure that each and every student in the classroom is presented the educational materials in a way that resonates with their learning style.

A Cosmetology Instructor not only teaches hands in skills relating to hair, skin and nails, but additionally they teach basic chemistry, skin histology, nutrition, business management, community health and safety, salon sanitation, blood spill incident procedures, anatomy and physiology, and much more.

It is ridiculous that this deregulation is even being considered with the pandemic that our world has just faced. Now more than ever we need qualified professional educators in our classrooms teaching proper health sciences and public safety precautions so that the public at large can be confident that the person providing hands on services to them is truly knowledgeable about how to safely care for their needs.

It is important that all teachers in any profession have a formal educational degree and Cosmetology is not different. Any student pursuing a higher education degree should be honored for their efforts and should be able to feel confident that the professor teaching their courses is a degree professional educator.

Please reconsider this recommendation and vote to continue providing our Texas residents who want pursue higher education in the field is Cosmetology and Salon Business the opportunity to learn from degreed professors. This

matter is extremely important as it takes away a basic right to a high quality education which all Texans deserve not matter what field they choose to study in college.

Thank you for your attention and consideration of this important request.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: I would ask that the rules be changed to ensure that only licensed degreed professionals can teach in Cosmetology schools. We need higher educational standards since this is a profession that deals directly with the public at large. Public health and safety must be first so the individuals teaching in this field need to be highly educated in anatomy, physiology, chemistry, community health, first aid, etc. We need to raise the educational standards not dumb things down. My recommendation is to only allow Cosmetology teachers who have AS, BS, or higher degrees to be in our Texas classrooms.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree