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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed: I am opposed to the removal of the Instructor License. Teaching an individual how to teach is totally different than teaching someone how to cut hair. There are so many different aspects to teaching such as learning styles of your students, test making, creating lesson plans, task sheets and the list goes on. With the Instructor program an individual can earn a teaching degree and teach in the private sector, high school setting or a post secondary school. This Instructor Program and License is about becoming a quality teacher for the Cosmetology /Barber Industry. We want to continue to build our wonderful industry and not to tear it down. Education for people is key. I also, do not think that Barber and Cosmetology should be a combined license. The programs are very different. I have been a licensed cosmetologist and instructor for over 30 years and I would hate for someone to ask me to give them a shave with a straight razor. I also, do not want to go to a Barber to have my hair colored a Barber is more focused on clipper cuts and shaves. Where the Cosmetologist is more focused on Hair color, Hair cuts, Styles, Extensions, Nails, Make up and Skin. Please before you act on this, visit some Colleges where they have Cosmetology Instructor Programs and see what we are all about. Thank you for your time.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency:

The Cosmetology and Barber Industry is huge. They should go back to the way it use to be with The Texas Cosmetology Commission. TCC did an exceptional job with inspections, testing and many other things that pertained to our industry. This industry must be regulated and licensed. We are up close and personal with the public. We work with some very serious chemicals. A student needs to be trained and educated properly on the use of these chemicals or they could do serious to damage to an individual. Cosmetology/Barber education must also continue to focus on the sciences, the safety and sanitation aspect with the public as well.

The combining of the Barber/Cosmetology license would mean more education for the students. The programs are now at 1000 hours and this does not provide the student enough time to learn all the curriculum that is in Cosmetology alone, much less the combination of the two, Cosmetology/Barber curriculum's.

This would have to be a major curriculum change and a increase in hours for the students.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree