BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The requirement that barber and cosmetology students travel to a location other than the place of their training to take the required practical examination for licensure adds an additional expense for students and an unnecessary delay in receiving their license. H.B. 2698 addresses this issue by authorizing a barber school, private beauty culture school, or a public secondary or postsecondary beauty culture school approved by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation to administer the practical examination for licensing as a barber or cosmetologist.

H.B. 2698 amends current law relating to the administration of the practical examination required for a barbering or cosmetology license.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1603.252(a), Occupations Code, to authorize the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) to accept, approve, develop, or contract for the examinations required by this chapter (Regulation of Barbering and Cosmetology), including the administration of the examinations.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 1603.256(c), Occupations Code, to add a barber school, private beauty culture school, or a public secondary or postsecondary beauty culture school that is approved by TDLR to administer the examination under Section 1603.252 (General Examination Requirements) to a list of persons authorized to administer a practical examination required under this subchapter (Examination Requirements).

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.