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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

35‑5.1. Licensure Application. (New)

**Synopsis:**

The State Board of Cosmetology proposes revising its regulations to add a regulation requiring all applications for initial licensure, endorsement licensure, and renewal and reinstatement licensure to be accompanied by a current 2 x 2 photograph that will be affixed to the license issued.

A Notice of Drafting was published in the *State Register* on June 28, 2024.

**Instructions:**

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

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**Text:**

35‑5.1. Licensure Applications.

All applications for licensure, including initial licensure, endorsement licensure, renewal and reinstatement licensure, must be accompanied by a 2x2 photograph that will be affixed to the license issued. The Department will provide guidance on its website for submitting photographs or digital images.

In the alternative, applicants and licensees may grant the Department permission to obtain and use the applicant’s photograph on file with the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles if available.

**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 updated regulations will afford additional protections to the public to ensure that individuals who are providing services to the public are the same individuals who have been vetted by the board and have satisfied the legal requirements for licensure in this state.