**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40-13-250 OF THE 1976 CODE, RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS LICENSED BY THE STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY, TO PROVIDE THAT INDIVIDUALS MAY TAKE EITHER ONSITE OR ONLINE COURSES.

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

SECTION 1. Section 40-13-250(A) of the 1976 Code is amended to read:

“(A) The holder of an individual license issued by the board biennially, on such date as may be designated by the board, shall renew his license and pay the renewal fee and furnish proof to the board that he has completed either onsite or online continuing education approved by the board. A person who has held a license for at least fifteen consecutive years and is sixty years of age or older or who has held continuous licensure for at least thirty years, is fifty years of age, and who has not been disciplined by the board is exempt from taking continuing education courses. Upon approval by the board and submission of an attendance form prescribed by the board, a person may obtain continuing education credit by attendance at trade show cosmetology‑related instructional programs.”

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

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