

Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure

2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary

BILL NUMBER: H346

TITLE: An Act relative to posting about the National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline

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HEARING DATE: April 14, 2025

REPORTING DEADLINE: June 13, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY

(2021-2022): H331 - Accompanied a new draft, see S2678, reported favorably by Committee and referred to Senate Ways and Means.

(2023-2024): H3561 – Accompanied a new draft, see S2477, reported favorably by Committee and referred to Senate Ways and Means; Ought to Pass with amendment, see S2904; Senate passed to be engrossed; Referred to the committee on House Ways and Means.

CURRENT LAW

Section 87T of Chapter 112 of the Massachusetts General Laws governs definitions used in other parts of Chapter 112, specifically those related to the licensing and regulation of aesthetics, barbering, cosmetology, electrolysis, hairdressing and manicuring.

Section 42 of Chapter 13 establishes the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering which regulates cosmetology, barbering, and electrology in Massachusetts. The Board issues licenses to qualified individuals, businesses, and schools to ensure public health and safety by maintaining high standards for these industries.

SUMMARY

Section 1 seeks to make a technical correction to reflect the new board of registration of cosmetology and barbering.

Section 2 seeks to add a new section to Chapter 112 of the General Laws, stating that the board shall provide a sign to all persons owning a shop, school, or mobile business engaged in cosmetology or hairdressing with the National Human Trafficking Hotline in English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, and Portuguese, and any other language as recommended by the board.