

Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure

2025-2026 (194th) Bill Summary

BILL NUMBER: H404

TITLE: An Act relative to the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering exams

SPONSOR(S): Hunt, Daniel

HEARING DATE: April 14, 2025

REPORTING DEADLINE: June 13, 2025

PRIOR HISTORY

(2019-2020): H3709 - Bill reported favorably by Committee as changed and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means.

(2021-2022): H405 - Bill reported favorably by Committee and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means.

(2023-2024): H334 – Bill reported favorably by Committee and referred to the committee on House Ways and Means.

CURRENT LAW

Section 87V of chapter 112 of the General Laws governs the rules and regulations, examinations, and specialty limited licenses pertaining to aesthetics, barbering, cosmetology, electrolysis, hairdressing and manicuring.

SUMMARY

This bill seeks to require that all practical and written examinations for cosmetology are offered in the following languages: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese and Haitian Creole.