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Senate Bill 612 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Hoon-Yung Hopgood
Committee: Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend Article 11 (Barbers) of the Occupational Code to do the following:

- Reduce the number of hours of study in the educational requirement for licensure as a barber.
- Revise the provision allowing substitution of experience for instruction to address a situation in which a person's experience was acquired in a country where records were not generally available.

Under Article 11, the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) must issue a license to practice as a barber to an individual who fulfills certain requirements. One of those requirements is that the person demonstrates satisfactory completion of not less than a 2,000-hour course of study at a licensed barber college. Under the bill, the course of study would have to be at least 1,800 hours.

Article 11 allows an individual whose instruction was received in another state, jurisdiction, or country to substitute experience as a barber or barber apprentice for instruction in the ratio of three months of experience for 100 hours of instruction. The bill specifies, however, that if the person's experience as a barber or barber apprentice were acquired in a country that LARA considered to be a country from which records were not generally available, both of the following would apply to the substitution of experience for instruction:

- The person could not substitute experience for instruction unless he or she gave LARA a signed and notarized attestation detailing his or her experience, including place of employment or apprenticeship.
- The person could not substitute experience for any of the hours of instruction described in provisions of the State Administrative Code that require instruction in safety and sanitation and laws, rules, and regulations (R 339.6047(b) and 339.6047(g)).

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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