

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 238—ASSEMBLYMEN KOIVISTO, PARKS,  
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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Provides for the regulation of tanning establishments  
by the State Board of Cosmetology. (BDR 54-969)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to tanning establishments; providing for the  
regulation of tanning establishments by the State Board of  
Cosmetology; prohibiting a person from operating a  
tanning establishment unless he is licensed with the  
Board; prescribing the requirements for licensure;  
providing standards for the operation of tanning  
establishments and tanning equipment; and providing  
other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Under existing law, the State Board of Cosmetology regulates aestheticians,  
2 cosmetologists, electrologists, hair designers and manicurists. (Chapter 644 of  
3 NRS) This bill requires the Board to regulate operators of tanning establishments  
4 and tanning equipment. **Section 9** of this bill requires that an operator of a tanning  
5 establishment ensure that an operator of tanning equipment has sufficient  
6 knowledge and expertise regarding the operation of tanning equipment. **Section 10**  
7 of this bill requires a person using a tanning establishment to sign a consent form  
8 before using a tanning establishment for the first time. **Section 11** of this bill places  
9 restrictions on the use of tanning establishments by minors. **Section 13** of this bill  
10 requires an operator of a tanning establishment to maintain a record on a person  
11 who uses tanning equipment at the tanning establishment. **Section 14** of this bill  
12 requires an operator of a tanning establishment to provide information on the  
13 procedure to file a complaint with the Board.

14 **Section 16** of this bill alters the membership of the Board so that one of the  
15 four members who are cosmetologists must also be an operator of a tanning  
16 establishment. (NRS 644.030) **Sections 17-20** of this bill expand the duties of the  
17 Board to include the regulation of tanning establishments. (NRS 644.090, 644.110-



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644.130) **Section 21** of this bill prohibits a person from operating a tanning establishment without being licensed by the Board. (NRS 644.190) **Sections 22, 23 and 25** of this bill provide for the licensure of a tanning establishment, including application, renewal and expiration. (NRS 644.325, 644.340, 644.350) **Section 24** of this bill requires that a licensee to operate a tanning establishment notify the Board of any change in ownership, name or location of the tanning establishment. (NRS 644.345) **Section 26** of this bill requires that a licensee display his license in plain view in the tanning establishment for which the license was issued. (NRS 644.360) **Section 27** of this bill authorizes the sale of food and beverages in tanning establishments. (NRS 644.375) **Section 28** of this bill authorizes the Board to take disciplinary action against tanning establishment licensees for failure to comply with the provisions of chapter 644 of NRS as amended. (NRS 644.430)

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 644 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act.

**Sec. 2.** *“Operator of tanning equipment” means an employee of a tanning establishment who engages in the practice of operating tanning equipment.*

**Sec. 3.** *“Practice of operating tanning equipment” means:*

- 1. Controlling the amount of and duration of exposure to ultraviolet radiation emitted by tanning equipment; or*
- 2. Providing instruction on the proper use of tanning equipment and other related equipment, including, without limitation, protective eyewear, a timer or handrails.*

**Sec. 4.** *“Sunburn and tanning history scale” means the following scale for the classification of skin types based on the skin’s reaction to the first 10 to 45 minutes of sun exposure after winter:*

- 1. Type 1: Always burns easily and never tans.*
- 2. Type 2: Always burns easily and tans minimally.*
- 3. Type 3: Burns moderately and tans gradually.*
- 4. Type 4: Burns minimally and always tans well.*
- 5. Type 5: Rarely burns and tans profusely.*
- 6. Type 6: Never burns.*

**Sec. 5.** *“Tanning equipment” means any device that emits ultraviolet radiation for the purpose of tanning of human skin, including, without limitation, sunlamps, tanning booths and tanning beds.*

**Sec. 6.** *“Tanning establishment” means any premises, mobile unit, building or part of a building where access to tanning equipment is provided for a fee, membership dues or any other compensation.*



1     **Sec. 7. “Ultraviolet radiation” means electromagnetic**  
2 **radiation with a wavelength between 200 and 400 nanometers.**

3     **Sec. 8. (Deleted by amendment.)**

4     **Sec. 9. 1. An operator of a tanning establishment shall**  
5 **ensure that each operator of tanning equipment employed at the**  
6 **establishment:**

7       **(a) Is at least 18 years of age; and**

8       **(b) Has sufficient knowledge and expertise in the operation of**  
9 **tanning equipment, including, without limitation, knowledge of:**

10       **(1) The provisions of this chapter relating to tanning**  
11 **equipment, tanning establishments and operators of tanning**  
12 **equipment, any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and 21**  
13 **C.F.R. § 1040.20;**

14       **(2) Any ultraviolet radiation exposure schedules**  
15 **recommended by the United States Food and Drug**  
16 **Administration;**

17       **(3) The procedures for the correct operation of the tanning**  
18 **establishment and all tanning equipment at the establishment;**

19       **(4) Possible injuries from overexposure to ultraviolet**  
20 **radiation and the procedures of the establishment in the event of**  
21 **emergency and nonemergency injuries from overexposure to**  
22 **ultraviolet radiation;**

23       **(5) The procedures recommended by the manufacturer of**  
24 **all tanning equipment used in the establishment, including the**  
25 **operation and maintenance of each such piece of equipment;**

26       **(6) The proper use of protective eyewear by users of**  
27 **tanning equipment;**

28       **(7) The biological effects and health risks of acute or**  
29 **chronic exposure to ultraviolet radiation;**

30       **(8) Photosensitizing agents; and**

31       **(9) The sunburn and tanning history scale.**

32     **2. The Board shall approve programs or courses used to train**  
33 **operators of tanning establishments in the requirements of**  
34 **subsection 1.**

35     **3. An operator of a tanning establishment shall maintain at**  
36 **the establishment a list of the operators of tanning equipment**  
37 **employed by the operator of the tanning establishment that:**

38       **(a) Includes the date on which each operator of tanning**  
39 **equipment satisfied the requirements of subsection 1; and**

40       **(b) Is available for inspection by the Board.**

41     **4. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the**  
42 **operator of a tanning establishment from employing a person who**  
43 **is less than 18 years of age if such person is not an operator of**  
44 **tanning equipment.**



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**Sec. 10. 1.** *An operator of a tanning establishment shall not allow a person to use tanning equipment for the first time unless a form containing the warning described in subsection 2 has been signed by the person.*

**2.** *The form required pursuant to subsection 1 must contain the sunburn and tanning history scale and a warning in substantially the following form in at least 12-point font:*

**DANGER: ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION**

*Follow instructions.*

*Avoid overexposure. As with natural sunlight, overexposure can cause eye and skin injuries and allergic reactions.*

*Repeated overexposure can cause skin cancer and premature aging of the skin.*

*Wear protective eyewear. Failure to wear protective eyewear may result in severe burns or long-term injury to the eyes.*

*Medication or cosmetics may increase your sensitivity to the ultraviolet radiation.*

*Consult a physician before using sunlamp or tanning equipment if you are using medications, have a history of skin problems or believe yourself to be especially sensitive to sunlight.*

**Sec. 11. 1.** *An operator of a tanning establishment shall not allow a person who is less than 18 years of age to use tanning equipment unless a parent or guardian of the person:*

*(a) Provides written consent to the operator of the tanning establishment for the person to use tanning equipment;*

*(b) Signs the form required pursuant to section 10 of this act; and*

*(c) Is present at the tanning establishment the first time that the person uses tanning equipment.*

**2.** *The written consent of a parent or guardian provided to an operator of a tanning establishment pursuant to subsection 1 shall expire after 1 year.*

**3.** *A parent or guardian of a person who is less than 18 years of age may renew the written consent for a person who is less than 18 years of age to use tanning equipment at a tanning establishment.*

**4.** *An operator of tanning equipment must be present at the tanning establishment for the entire time while a person who is less than 18 years of age uses the tanning equipment.*

**Sec. 12.** (Deleted by amendment.)

**Sec. 13. 1.** *The operator of a tanning establishment shall maintain a record of each person who uses tanning equipment at that establishment.*



2. *The record required pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation:*

(a) *Each date that the person uses tanning equipment at the tanning establishment;*

(b) *The amount and duration of each exposure of the person to ultraviolet radiation from tanning equipment;*

(c) *The form required to be signed by the person pursuant to section 10 of this act; and*

(d) *If the person is less than 18 years of age, the written consent signed by the parent or guardian of the person required pursuant to section 11 of this act.*

3. *The record required pursuant to this section must be maintained for at least 1 year after the most recent use by the person of tanning equipment at the tanning establishment.*

**Sec. 14.** *If a person files a complaint with the operator of a tanning establishment regarding the tanning establishment, an operator of tanning equipment or an injury from overexposure to ultraviolet radiation, the operator of the tanning establishment shall notify the person of the procedures for filing a complaint with the Board pursuant to this chapter.*

**Sec. 15.** NRS 644.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.020 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 644.0205 to 644.029, inclusive, *and sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

**Sec. 16.** NRS 644.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.030 1. The State Board of Cosmetology consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor is hereby created.

2. The Board must consist of four cosmetologists, *one of whom must be an operator of a tanning establishment*, one manicurist, one aesthetician and one member representing customers of cosmetology.

**Sec. 17.** NRS 644.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.090 The Board shall:

1. Hold examinations to determine the qualifications of all applicants for a license, except as otherwise provided in this chapter, whose applications have been submitted to it in proper form.

2. Issue licenses to such applicants as may be entitled thereto.

3. License cosmetological establishments , ~~and~~ *schools of cosmetology and tanning establishments.*

4. Report to the proper prosecuting officers all violations of this chapter coming within its knowledge.

5. Inspect schools of cosmetology , ~~and~~ *cosmetological establishments and tanning establishments* to ensure compliance with the statutory requirements and adopted regulations of the



1 Board. This authority extends to any member of the Board or its  
2 authorized employees.

3 **Sec. 18.** NRS 644.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 644.110 The Board shall adopt reasonable regulations:

5 1. For carrying out the provisions of this chapter.

6 2. For conducting examinations of applicants for licenses.

7 3. For governing the recognition of, and the credits to be given  
8 to, the study of cosmetology under a licensed electrologist or in a  
9 school of cosmetology licensed pursuant to the laws of another state  
10 or territory of the United States or the District of Columbia.

11 4. For governing the conduct of schools of cosmetology. The  
12 regulations must include , but need not be limited to, provisions:

13 (a) Prohibiting schools from requiring that students purchase  
14 beauty supplies for use in the course of study;

15 (b) Prohibiting schools from deducting earned hours of school  
16 credit or any other compensation earned by a student as a  
17 punishment for misbehavior of the student;

18 (c) Providing for lunch and coffee recesses for students during  
19 school hours; and

20 (d) Allowing a member or an authorized employee of the Board  
21 to review the records of a student's training and attendance.

22 5. Governing the courses of study and practical training  
23 required of persons for treating the skin of the human body, except  
24 the scalp.

25 6. For governing the conduct of cosmetological establishments.

26 **7. *For governing the conduct of tanning establishments.***

27 **Sec. 19.** NRS 644.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 644.120 1. The Board may adopt such regulations governing  
29 sanitary conditions as it deems necessary with particular reference to  
30 the precautions to be employed to prevent the creating or spreading  
31 of infectious or contagious diseases in cosmetological  
32 establishments , *tanning establishments* or schools of cosmetology,  
33 or in the practice of a cosmetologist ~~H~~ *or the practice of operating*  
34 *tanning equipment.*

35 2. No regulation governing sanitary conditions thus adopted  
36 has any effect until it has been approved by the State Board of  
37 Health.

38 3. A copy of all regulations governing sanitary conditions  
39 which are adopted must be furnished to each person to whom a  
40 license is issued for the conduct of a cosmetological establishment,  
41 *tanning establishment*, school of cosmetology or practice of  
42 cosmetology.

43 **Sec. 20.** NRS 644.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 644.130 1. The Board shall keep a record containing the  
45 name, known place of business, and the date and number of the



1 license of every manicurist, electrologist, aesthetician, hair designer,  
2 demonstrator of cosmetics and cosmetologist, together with the  
3 names and addresses of all cosmetological establishments, *tanning*  
4 *establishments* and schools of cosmetology licensed pursuant to this  
5 chapter. The record must also contain the facts which the applicants  
6 claimed in their applications to justify their licensure.

7 2. The Board may disclose the information contained in the  
8 record kept pursuant to subsection 1 to:

9 (a) Any other licensing board or agency that is investigating a  
10 licensee.

11 (b) A member of the general public, except information  
12 concerning the home and work address and telephone number of a  
13 licensee.

14 **Sec. 21.** NRS 644.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 644.190 1. It is unlawful for any person to conduct or operate  
16 a cosmetological establishment, *tanning establishment*, school of  
17 cosmetology or any other place of business in which any one or any  
18 combination of the occupations of cosmetology are taught or  
19 practiced unless he is licensed in accordance with the provisions of  
20 this chapter.

21 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, it is unlawful  
22 for any person to engage in, or attempt to engage in, the practice of  
23 cosmetology or any branch thereof, whether for compensation or  
24 otherwise, unless he is licensed in accordance with the provisions of  
25 this chapter.

26 3. This chapter does not prohibit:

27 (a) Any student in any school of cosmetology established  
28 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter from engaging, in the  
29 school and as a student, in work connected with any branch or any  
30 combination of branches of cosmetology in the school.

31 (b) An electrologist's apprentice from participating in a course  
32 of practical training and study.

33 (c) A person issued a provisional license as an instructor  
34 pursuant to NRS 644.193 from acting as an instructor and accepting  
35 compensation therefor while accumulating the hours of training as a  
36 teacher required for an instructor's license.

37 (d) The rendering of cosmetological services by a person who is  
38 licensed in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, if those  
39 services are rendered in connection with photographic services  
40 provided by a photographer.

41 (e) A registered cosmetologist's apprentice from engaging in the  
42 practice of cosmetology under the immediate supervision of a  
43 licensed cosmetologist.

44 *(f) An operator of tanning equipment from operating tanning*  
45 *equipment in accordance with section 9 of this act.*





4. A person employed to render cosmetological services in the course of and incidental to the production of a motion picture, television program, commercial or advertisement is exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter if he renders cosmetological services only to persons who will appear in that motion picture, television program, commercial or advertisement.

**Sec. 22.** NRS 644.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.325 1. An application for renewal of any license issued pursuant to this chapter must be:

- (a) Made on a form prescribed and furnished by the Board;
- (b) Made on or before the date for renewal specified by the Board;
- (c) Accompanied by the fee for renewal; and
- (d) Accompanied by all information required to complete the renewal.

2. The fees for renewal are:

(a) For manicurists, electrologists, aestheticians, hair designers, demonstrators of cosmetics and cosmetologists, not less than \$50 and not more than \$100.

(b) For instructors, not less than \$60 and not more than \$100.

(c) For cosmetological establishments ~~and~~ *and tanning establishments*, not less than \$100 and not more than \$200.

(d) For schools of cosmetology, not less than \$500 and not more than \$800.

3. For each month or fraction thereof after the date for renewal specified by the Board in which a license is not renewed, there must be assessed and collected at the time of renewal a penalty of \$50 for a school of cosmetology and \$20 for a cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* and all persons licensed pursuant to this chapter.

4. An application for the renewal of a license as a cosmetologist, hair designer, aesthetician, electrologist, manicurist, demonstrator of cosmetics or instructor must be accompanied by two current photographs of the applicant which are 1 1/2 by 1 1/2 inches. The name and address of the applicant must be written on the back of each photograph.

**Sec. 23.** NRS 644.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.340 1. Any person wishing to operate a cosmetological establishment in which any one or a combination of the occupations of cosmetology are practiced *or wishing to operate a tanning establishment* must apply to the Board for a license, through the owner, manager or person in charge, upon forms prepared and furnished by the Board. Each application must contain a detailed floor plan of the proposed cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* and proof of the particular requisites for a license



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provided for in this chapter, and must be verified by the oath of the maker.

2. The applicant must submit the application accompanied by the required fees for inspection and licensing. After the applicant has submitted the application, the applicant must contact the Board and request a verbal review concerning the application to determine if the cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* complies with the requirements of this chapter and the regulations adopted by the Board. If, based on the verbal review, the Board determines that the cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* meets those requirements, the Board shall issue to the applicant the required license. Upon receipt of the license, the applicant must contact the Board to request the activation of the license. A license issued pursuant to this subsection is not valid until it is activated. The Board shall conduct an on-site inspection of the cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* not later than 90 days after the date on which the license is activated.

3. The fee for a license for a cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* is \$200. The fee for the initial inspection is \$15. If an additional inspection is necessary, the fee is \$25.

**Sec. 24.** NRS 644.345 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.345 1. The Board must be notified of any change of ownership, name, services offered or location of a cosmetological establishment ~~§~~ *or tanning establishment*. The establishment may not be operated after the change until a new license is issued. The owner of the establishment must apply to the Board for the license and pay the fees established pursuant to subsection 3 *or 4* of NRS 644.340 ~~§~~, *as applicable*.

2. After a license has been issued for the operation of a cosmetological establishment ~~§~~ *or tanning establishment*, any changes in the physical structure of the establishment must be approved by the Board.

**Sec. 25.** NRS 644.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.350 1. The license of every cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* expires on July 1 of the next succeeding odd-numbered year.

2. If a cosmetological establishment *or tanning establishment* fails to pay the required fee by October 1 of the year in which renewal of the license is required, the establishment must be immediately closed.

**Sec. 26.** NRS 644.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.360 1. Every holder of a license issued by the Board to operate a cosmetological establishment shall display the license in plain view of members of the general public in the principal office or place of business of the holder.



2. *Every holder of a license issued by the Board to operate a tanning establishment shall display the license in plain view of members of the general public in the tanning establishment for which the license was issued.*

3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the operator of a cosmetological establishment may lease space to or employ only licensed manicurists, electrologists, aestheticians, hair designers, demonstrators of cosmetics and cosmetologists at his establishment to provide cosmetological services. This subsection does not prohibit an operator of a cosmetological establishment from:

(a) Leasing space to or employing a barber. Such a barber remains under the jurisdiction of the State Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board and remains subject to the laws and regulations of this State applicable to his business or profession.

(b) Leasing space to any other professional, including, without limitation, a provider of health care pursuant to subsection ~~3-3~~ 4. Each such professional remains under the jurisdiction of the regulatory body which governs his business or profession and remains subject to the laws and regulations of this State applicable to his business or profession.

~~3-3~~ 4. The operator of a cosmetological establishment may lease space at his cosmetological establishment to a provider of health care for the purpose of providing health care within the scope of his practice. The provider of health care shall not use the leased space to provide such health care at the same time a cosmetologist uses that space to engage in the practice of cosmetology. A provider of health care who leases space at a cosmetological establishment pursuant to this subsection remains under the jurisdiction of the regulatory body which governs his business or profession and remains subject to the laws and regulations of this State applicable to his business or profession.

~~4-1~~ 5. As used in this section:

(a) "Provider of health care" means a person who is licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the law of this State to administer health care in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.

(b) "Space" includes, without limitation, a separate room in the cosmetological establishment.

**Sec. 27.** NRS 644.375 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.375 Food or beverages for immediate consumption may be sold in a cosmetological *or tanning* establishment.

**Sec. 28.** NRS 644.430 is hereby amended to read as follows:

644.430 1. The following are grounds for disciplinary action by the Board:



(a) Failure of an owner of a cosmetological establishment, *an operator of a tanning establishment*, a licensed aesthetician, cosmetologist, hair designer, electrologist, instructor, manicurist, demonstrator of cosmetics or school of cosmetology, or a cosmetologist's apprentice to comply with the requirements of this chapter or the applicable regulations adopted by the Board.

(b) Obtaining practice in cosmetology or any branch thereof, for money or any thing of value, by fraudulent misrepresentation.

(c) Gross malpractice.

(d) Continued practice by a person knowingly having an infectious or contagious disease.

(e) Drunkenness or the use or possession, or both, of a controlled substance or dangerous drug without a prescription, while engaged in the practice of cosmetology ~~or~~ *or the practice of operating tanning equipment*.

(f) Advertisement by means of knowingly false or deceptive statements.

(g) Permitting a license to be used where the holder thereof is not personally, actively and continuously engaged in business.

(h) Failure to display the license as provided in NRS 644.290, 644.360 and 644.410.

(i) Entering, by a school of cosmetology, into an unconscionable contract with a student of cosmetology.

(j) Continued practice of cosmetology or operation of a cosmetological *or tanning* establishment or school of cosmetology after the license therefor has expired.

(k) Any other unfair or unjust practice, method or dealing which, in the judgment of the Board, may justify such action.

2. If the Board determines that a violation of this section has occurred, it may:

(a) Refuse to issue or renew a license;

(b) Revoke or suspend a license;

(c) Place the licensee on probation for a specified period;

(d) Impose a fine not to exceed \$2,000; or

(e) Take any combination of the actions authorized by paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive.

3. An order that imposes discipline and the findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting that order are public records.

**Sec. 29.** After the passage and approval of this act and upon the first vacancy in the State Board of Cosmetology of a position on the Board that must be filled by a cosmetologist pursuant to the provisions of NRS 644.030, the Governor shall appoint one cosmetologist who is an operator of a tanning establishment to the Board in accordance with the provisions of NRS 644.030, as amended by section 16 of this act.



1     **Sec. 30.** 1. This section and sections 16 and 29 of this act  
2 become effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of  
3 appointing the member to the State Board of Cosmetology and on  
4 October 1, 2008, for all other purposes.

5     2. Sections 1 to 15, inclusive, and 17 to 28, inclusive, of this  
6 act become effective on October 1, 2008.

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