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## HOUSE BILL No. 1131

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**Synopsis:** Licensed estheticians.

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## HOUSE BILL No. 1131

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 25-8-2-9.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.189-2017,  
2 SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 9.5. (a) "Esthetician" means a person who engages  
4 solely in one (1) or more of the following practices:  
5 (1) Giving facials, applying makeup, and giving skin care.  
6 (2) Beautifying, massaging, or cleaning the body with the use of  
7 cosmetic preparations, antiseptics, tonics, lotions, or creams.  
8 (3) Removing superfluous hair from the body by the use of  
9 depilatories, waxing, or tweezers.  
10 (4) Performing any:  
11 (A) eyelash:  
12 (i) lift; or  
13 (ii) tinting;  
14 (B) eyebrow:  
15 (i) lamination; or

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(ii) tinting; or  
 (C) microneedling (as defined in section 14.7 of this chapter).

(b) The term does not include performing any of the acts described in subsection (a):

- (1) in treating an illness or a disease;
- (2) as a student in a beauty culture school that complies with the notice requirements under IC 25-8-5-6;
- (3) without compensation; or
- (4) incident to the retail sale of cosmetics.

(c) The term does not include a person who:

- (1) engages in threading;
- (2) engages in natural hair braiding; and
- (3) does not engage in one (1) or more of the practices described in subsection (a).

SECTION 2. IC 25-8-2-14.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 14.7. "Microneedling" means a cosmetic procedure that uses fine needles to create tiny punctures in the skin at a penetration depth of at least three-tenths (0.3) of a millimeter but not greater than two (2) millimeters.**

SECTION 3. IC 25-8-10-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 66, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 3. The application described in section 2 of this chapter must state that the applicant:

- ~~(1)~~ holds a cosmetologist license issued under IC 25-8-9 or an esthetician license issued under IC 25-8-12.5;
- ~~(2)~~ (1) has successfully completed the a combined total of six hundred (600) hours of education and experience requirements required under the rules adopted by the board in the instruction of for electrology training in a beauty culture school;
- ~~(3)~~ (2) has received a satisfactory grade (as defined by IC 25-8-4-9) on an examination for electrologist license prescribed by the board;
- ~~(4)~~ (3) has not committed an act for which the applicant could be disciplined under IC 25-8-14; and
- ~~(5)~~ (4) has paid the fee set forth in IC 25-8-13-8 for the issuance of a license under this chapter.

SECTION 4. IC 25-8-10-3.1, AS ADDED BY P.L.170-2013, SECTION 67, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 3.1. If a person does not receive a satisfactory



grade on the examination described in section ~~3(3)~~ 3(2) of this chapter, the person may repeat the examination without completing any additional study in electrology.

SECTION 5. IC 25-8-12.5-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 9. At the agency's request, a person who offers microneedling shall provide the agency with proof of advanced training or certification for microneedling.**

SECTION 6. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026] (a) Not later than June 30, 2027, the state board of cosmetology and barber examiners shall amend:

(1) 820 IAC 3-1-13 to allow electrology services to be performed in the same room that is used for esthetics services, although not at the same time;

(2) 820 IAC 3-2-10 to allow esthetics services to be performed in the same room that is used for electrology services, although not at the same time; and

(3) 820 IAC 4-4-7 to require a combined total of six hundred (600) hours of education and experience for electrology training.

(b) This SECTION expires July 1, 2028.

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