CHAPTER 366

(House Bill 515)

AN ACT concerning

Hair Braiding Services - Exemption from Licensure

FOR the purpose of requiring a license to provide hair braiding services; defining hair braiding services; specifying the qualifications of an applicant for a license to provide hair braiding services; specifying the scope of practice of the license; clarifying the scope of the practice of cosmetology; providing for a beauty salon permit for a beauty salon that provides only hair braiding services; setting standards for apprenticeships in hair braiding; excluding from the scope of licensure certain hair braiding services; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to hair braiding and cosmetology in the State.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

Section 5-101, 5-301, 5-305, 5-310, 5-404, and 5-501 5-101(k)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Business Occupations and Professions

5-101.

- (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Apprentice" means an individual who is learning to practice cosmetology or any limited practice of cosmetology in a beauty salon that holds a beauty salon permit under the supervision of:
 - if-learning-to-practice cosmetology, a licensed senior-cosmetologist;
- (2) if learning to provide esthetic services, a licensed senior cosmetologist or a licensed esthetician with 2 years' experience; [and]
- (3) if learning to provide manieuring services; a licensed senior cosmetologist or a licensed manieurist with 2 years' experience[.]; AND
- (4) IF LEARNING TO PROVIDE HAIR BRAIDING SERVICES, A LICENSED HAIR BRAIDER WITH 2 YEARS' EXPERIENCE:
- (c) (1) "Beauty salon" means—any commercial establishment, except a barbershop, in which an individual practices cosmetology.
 - (2) "Beauty salon" does not include a clinic in a cosmetology school.