BOARD FOR BARBERS & COSMETOLOGY WAX TECHNICIAN PROPOSED REGULATION PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES

The Board for Barbers & Cosmetology Public Hearing on the Wax Technician proposed regulations was held on Monday, September 15, 2003, at the Offices of the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, 3600 West Board Street, 4th Floor, Richmond, Virginia. The following DPOR staff members were present:

> William H. Ferguson, II, Executive Director Zelda W. Dugger, Board Administrator Rashaun K. Minor, Administrative Assistant

Also in attendance was:

Laura Abdelaziz, Student

Mr. Ferguson, Executive Director, called the public hearing to order at Call to Order 3:07 p.m.

Mr. Ferguson introduced board staff, Ms. Zelda Dugger, Board Introduction Administrator, and Ms. Rashaun Minor, Administrative Assistant.

Mr. Ferguson stated the procedures of the hearing: speakers are allowed **Procedures of the** 5 minutes to give comment regarding the wax technicians proposed regulations; to assist the speakers the time lights will indicate remaining time: green light will signal to start, the yellow light will indicated 1 minute remaining, and the red light will indicated the allotted time has passed.

Hearing

Mr. Ferguson called the first speaker on the wax technician proposed Public Comment regulations, Ms. Abdelaziz.

Laura Abdelaziz stated she is a student at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU) seeking her Master's degree in teaching and complete her Bachelor's degree in Biology. Ms. Abdelaziz stated she practices estheticianery.

Ms. Abdelaziz commented on the notification of the wax technician waiver of examination and wished the notification had been broader and asked is there a proposal for an esthetician license.

Ms. Abdelaziz stated that in New York estheticianery included the practice of waxing. Ms. Abdelaziz added that Idaho and Massachusetts also allow estheticians to wax.

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Ms. Abdelaziz stated that she researched the requirements for cosmetology and only 3% of the 1500 hour curriculum for cosmetologist is dedicated to facials and waxing, yet the emergency regulations require wax technicians to obtain 115 hours of training to perform waxing services.

Ms. Adbelaziz stated that cosmetologists are not tested on wax procedures. Ms. Adbelaziz stated that it should be the same.

Ms. Adbelaziz stated the regulations should include estheticians in the practice of waxing and allow estheticians to wax. Ms. Adbelaziz stated not everybody is meeting the same criteria to wax, yet they are allowed to wax.

Mr. Ferguson thanked Ms. Abdelaziz for taking the time to express her opinions and advised her that the Board would take her comments under consideration.

The public hearing adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

<u>Adjourn</u>

Joyce L. Wilson-Clemmons, Vice-Chair	Tice Chair
Louise Fontaine Ware, Secretary	

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