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S.P. 401

In Senate, April 12, 1993

An Act Regarding Reciprocity of Licensing Barbers and Cosmetologists.

Reference to the Committee on Business Legislation suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator PARADIS of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative YOUNG of Limestone and
Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, DONNELLY of Presque Isle, KNEELAND of
Easton.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as followed

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA $\S14231$, as enacted by PL 1991, c. 397, $\S6$, is amended to read:

§14231. Reciprocity with other states

The board may shall waive the examination and grant a license to any applicant who presents proof of current licensure in another state or other jurisdiction of the United States or another country that grants—similar—privileges—to—persons registered—under—this—chapter—and maintains professional standards considered by the board to be equivalent to or higher than those set forth in this chapter, as long as no cause exists for denial of a license under section 14236. Such an applicant must pay the fee as provided in section 14238

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The board may allow an applicant to take the examination if that applicant presents proof of age, education, training or experience at least equal to that required in this chapter for the applicable license type in another state or jurisdiction of the United States or another country that maintains professional standards considered by the board to be equivalent to those set forth in this chapter, as long as no cause exists for the denial of a license under section 14236. Such an applicant must pay the fee as provided in section 14238.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Currently, Maine may grant a barber or cosmetologist license to any person licensed in a state that has similar licensing standards and grants licenses to Maine licensed practitioners. If the other state requires an examination of a Maine practitioner, then Maine may require an examination of practitioners from that state.

This bill requires that Maine grant a license to a licensed practitioner from another jurisdiction whose standards are as high or higher than those in Maine regardless of whether that jurisdiction grants licenses to Maine licensees.