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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees and Joint Select Committees of the Maine Legislature. The volume is organized alphabetically by committee; within each committee, the summaries are arranged by LD number. A subject index is provided at the beginning of each committee's summaries.

All adopted amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H - 584 or S - 222), together with the sponsor for floor amendments. Final action on each bill is listed to the right of the title. Various types of final action are abbreviated as follows:

PUBLIC XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Public Law</i>
P&S XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Private & Special Law</i>
RESOLVE XXX	<i>Chapter # of enacted Resolve</i>
CON RES XXX	<i>Chapter # of Constitutional Resolution passed by both Houses</i>
EMERGENCY	<i>Enacted law takes effect sooner than 90 days</i>
CARRIED OVER	<i>Bill carried over to 2nd Session</i>
FAILED EMERGENCY ENACTMENT	<i>Bill failed to get 2/3 vote</i>
ONTP	<i>Ought Not to Pass report accepted</i>
LVWD	<i>Leave to Withdraw report accepted</i>
INDEF PP	<i>Bill Indefinitely Postponed</i>
DIED BETWEEN BODIES	<i>House & Senate disagree; bill died</i>
VETO SUSTAINED	<i>Legislature failed to override Governor's Veto</i>
UNSIGNED	<i>Not signed by Governor within 10 days</i>
DIED ON ADJOURNMENT	<i>Action incomplete when 1st session ended</i>

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COMMITTEE REPORT
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AMENDMENTS ADOPTED
H-472

SUMMARY

This bill merges the State Board of Cosmetology and the State Board of Barbers to create the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology to act as one functional unit representing both groups to eliminate unnecessary duplication of work and expenditure of resources.

This bill moves the State Board of Cosmetology under the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation.

The bill repeals the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapters 7 and 23 to create one board under Title 32, chapter 126. In addition to technical changes to integrate the 2 boards, some significant changes have been made as follows:

The bill redefines the practice of cosmetology to include toning, working on the whole body, not just the extremities, and removing and relaxing the hair.

The membership of both boards is combined, with the barbers being increased in membership by one and the public member representation to 2.

The bill reduces from 2 to one the minimum number of required annual shop inspections.

Currently, upon a change of ownership, a shop can not operate until properly licensed. The bill provides a time period to enable the owners of such shops to make appropriate application to the board.

The bill authorizes the board to assess fees for inspections of shops that require special inspections.

The bill provides for apprenticeship training as a means of qualifying for examination and obtaining licensure.

The bill sets a specific expiration date for temporary work permits to allow persons who pass an examination sufficient time to make application for licensure and maintain employment status during the transition. Currently, upon notice of passing an examination, persons must cease employment in the practice until licensure status is in effect.

The bill sets a specific time by which apprentices must notify the board of changes of employment.

The bill establishes disciplinary procedures and raises the cap for fees as follows:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Barber	\$40 annual	\$100 biennial
Hairdresser	\$35 biennial	\$100 biennial

Committee Amendment "A" corrects a drafting error in the original bill.