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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the licensure of individuals to perform  
2 press and curl hair straightening procedures and making a  
3 penalty applicable.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 157.1, Code 2003, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsections:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 14A. "Press and curl" means a temporary  
4 thermal straightening technique used for very curly hair which  
5 does not utilize the application of chemicals and which allows  
6 the hair's reversion to its natural state when shampooed.

7 NEW SUBSECTION. 14B. "Press and curl technician" means a  
8 person who performs the practice of press and curl.

9 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 157.5 PRESS AND CURL TECHNICIANS --  
10 AUTHORIZATION.

11 1. The department shall issue a license to practice press  
12 and curl techniques to a person who submits proof of  
13 successful completion of a course of training in a licensed  
14 school of cosmetology arts and sciences, or a barber school  
15 licensed pursuant to section 158.7, relating to proper care of  
16 the hair. The course of training shall include application of  
17 press and curl techniques pursuant to rules adopted by the  
18 board. A press and curl technician licensed pursuant to this  
19 section shall be authorized to practice press and curl  
20 techniques without obtaining a cosmetology license or being  
21 licensed under any other provision of this chapter or chapter  
22 158.

23 2. The applicant shall pay a license fee as determined by  
24 the board under section 147.80.

25 3. The rules of the board shall include a provision  
26 whereby a license to practice press and curl techniques may be  
27 issued by reciprocity or endorsement to a person who is  
28 licensed in another state to practice press and curl  
29 techniques.

30 EXPLANATION

31 This bill provides for licensure to perform the press and  
32 curl hair straightening technique. The bill defines "press  
33 and curl" as a temporary thermal straightening technique used  
34 for very curly hair which does not utilize the application of  
35 chemicals and which allows the hair's reversion to its natural

1 state when shampooed. The bill provides that the Iowa  
2 department of public health shall issue a license to practice  
3 press and curl techniques to a person submitting proof of  
4 successful completion of a course of training in a licensed  
5 school of cosmetology arts and sciences or licensed barber  
6 school. The bill provides that the course of training shall  
7 include specific instruction in the application of press and  
8 curl techniques pursuant to rules adopted by the board of  
9 cosmetology arts and sciences examiners. The bill provides  
10 that a licensed press and curl technician shall be authorized  
11 to practice the press and curl technique without being  
12 licensed under any other provision of Code chapter 157,  
13 relating to cosmetology, or Code chapter 158, relating to  
14 barbering. The bill provides for the payment of a license fee  
15 for reciprocity with other states, and for a penalty of a  
16 serious misdemeanor pursuant to Code section 157.15.

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