

**House File 2480 - Introduced**

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BY COMMITTEE ON STATE  
GOVERNMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2106)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to cosmetology and the practice of threading.

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

1 Section 1. Section 157.1, subsection 5, paragraph c, Code  
2 2022, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. Removing superfluous hair from the face or body of a  
4 person with the use of depilatories, wax, sugars, ~~threading,~~  
5 or tweezing.

6 Sec. 2. Section 157.1, subsection 12, paragraph c, Code  
7 2022, is amended to read as follows:

8 c. Removing superfluous hair from the body of a person by  
9 the use of depilatories, waxing, sugaring, tweezers, threading,  
10 or use of any certified laser products or intense pulsed  
11 light devices. This excludes threading and the practice of  
12 electrology, whereby hair is removed with an electric needle.

13 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 157.12B Threading.

14 1. A person engaged exclusively in the practice of threading  
15 is not required to receive a license issued under section  
16 157.3.

17 2. A person may engage in the practice of threading at a  
18 location that is not licensed pursuant to section 157.11.

19 3. For the purposes of this section, "*threading*" means  
20 the removal of hairs from the eyebrows, upper lip, or other  
21 body parts by the use of a thread and includes the use of  
22 astringents, gels, powders, tweezers, and scissors incidental  
23 to the use of a thread.

24 EXPLANATION

25 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
26 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

27 This bill relates to the practice of cosmetology (Code  
28 chapter 157). The bill allows a person to engage in the  
29 practice of threading, defined as the removal of hairs from  
30 the eyebrows, upper lip, or other body parts by the use of a  
31 thread, without obtaining a license to practice cosmetology.  
32 The bill also allows a person to engage in the practice of  
33 threading at a location that is not licensed as a salon. The  
34 bill removes threading from the definitions of "cosmetology"  
35 and "esthetics" in the Code chapter.