

SUBJECT: Allowing eyelash application training programs to use distance education

COMMITTEE: Licensing & Administrative Procedures — committee substitute recommended

VOTE: 10 ayes — K. King, Walle, Goldman, Harless, Hernandez, Herrero, T. King, Patterson, Schaefer, Shaheen

0 nays

1 absent — S. Thompson

WITNESSES: For — AnneMarie Lorenzini

Against — None

On — (*Registered, but did not testify*: Julie Davis, Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation)

BACKGROUND: Some have suggested that allowing eyelash application training programs to teach certain portions of curriculum through distance education, as was done during the COVID-19 pandemic, would help these programs expand their student pools.

DIGEST: CSHB 3581 would require a school offering an eyelash extension application training program to determine the number of hours to be designated as:

- the theory portion, which could be provided through distance education; and
- the practical portion, which would be required to be provided through in-person instruction.

By December 31, 2023, the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation would be required to adopt rules to implement the bill.

The bill would take effect September 1, 2023, and would only apply to:

- the curriculum content for an eyelash extension application training program for a license and approved by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation; and
- the curriculum content requirements for a student who registered for an eyelash extension application training program on or after January 1, 2024.