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A C A D E M Y

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**Re: Barbering Bill HB2305**

I am in support of HB2305 as it is presented that includes changes to the minimum test scores required for the state licensing exam, an increase in the state Licensing exam testing fees and the implementation of a new senior status license.

The national exam average of 75% is a well-established standard for similar licensing exams around the country as well as the minimum for most barbering college exams. This change allows the state exam to be more consistent with the 75% minimum pass rate score.

Testing fees for students for entry into a licensing field have continued to see an increase for the development and application of legally defensive licensing exams. This testing fee increase is a slight increase and will not be a burden to the students applying for the exam or the schools if they provide the payment for the testing student. This new fee allows the Kansas Board of Barbering the ability to continue administering the required licensing exam without negatively impacting their operating budget.

A senior license is a great way to allow a licensed professional to have a lower cost fee to maintain their license if the practitioner chooses to pause their professional work while maintaining their licensing status. This is a great addition to the barbering licenses provided by the Kansas Board of Barbering.

Sincerely,

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