

HOUSE No. 6

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF BARBERS,
ROOM 302, 14 BEACON STREET, BOSTON, December 4, 1935.

To the General Court of Massachusetts.

In compliance with the provisions of section 33 of chapter 30 of the General Laws, copies of recommendations for legislation to be contained in the annual report of this Board (Pub. Doc. No. 152) are submitted herewith, together with drafts of bills embodying the legislation recommended. These drafts have been submitted to the counsel of the House as required by law.

GEORGE S. POULIN,
Secretary.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Chapter 260 of the Acts of 1934, amending section 87H, chapter one hundred and twelve, General Laws (Tercentenary Edition), failed to provide for a fee for inspection of a new barber shop or a barber shop where the ownership or location has been transferred. The time spent for work under the provisions of the said amendment has demonstrated to the Board that a charge for such service should be made, and a fee of \$5 in each case is therefore recommended.

The existing law makes no provision to prohibit the employment of an unregistered person by a registered barber. The Board recommends an amendment to the law so as to provide for such prohibition.

Price lists which are frequently misleading regarding actual charges to be made for barbering services are often displayed in such a manner as to mislead the public. The Board recommends a restriction as to the display of price lists for services offered.

The existing law makes no provision as to a stated age before a person shall be eligible to apply for apprentice registration, therefore it often occurs that an apprentice is working in a barber shop under conditions and hours contrary to the law regulating the employment of minors. It is recommended that a minimum age for apprentice registration be fixed.

The law provides that no apprentice shall be eligible for examination until he has served as such for two full years, but makes no provision for a maximum limit of time under which he may practice as an apprentice under his original apprentice registration, and no provision is made for an annual re-registration of apprentices. It is recommended that section 87I of chapter 112 be amended in accordance with the accompanying draft.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-Six.

An Act further regulating the Practice of Barbering and
the Conducting of Barber Schools.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section eighty-seven H of chapter one hundred
2 and twelve of the General Laws, as most recently
3 amended by chapter two hundred and sixty of the
4 acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-four, is hereby
5 further amended by adding at the end thereof the
6 following new paragraph: —

7 The fee for inspection of a new barber shop, trans-
8 fer of ownership of a barber shop or change of location
9 of a barber shop shall be five dollars. No registered
10 barber shall at any time have an unregistered person
11 in his employ. Price lists for barbering services may
12 be displayed in any place within a barber shop or
13 barber school other than in the windows or doors or
14 in any other part of the premises where they may be
15 seen or read from the outside.

16 Section eighty-seven I of said chapter one hundred
17 and twelve, as appearing in the Tercentenary Edi-
18 tion, is hereby amended by inserting after the word
19 "person" in the second line the words: — who is six-
20 teen or over, — and by adding at the end thereof the

21 following: — No apprentice shall be allowed to prac-
22 tice under his original apprentice registration for more
23 than three years following the date of its issuance,
24 and each apprentice shall annually, on or before De-
25 cember thirty-first, renew his apprentice registration
26 by filing with the board a certificate signed by a
27 registered physician as to his freedom from infectious
28 or contagious disease, and upon payment of a fee of
29 fifty cents the board shall issue to the said applicant
30 a renewal card showing that he has renewed his
31 apprentice registration for the ensuing year, — so as
32 to read as follows: — *Section 87I.* Nothing in sec-
33 tions eighty-seven F to eighty-seven R, inclusive,
34 shall prohibit any person who is sixteen or over from
35 serving in this commonwealth as an apprentice in
36 such occupation under a registered barber or from
37 serving therein as a student in any barber school or
38 barber college under the instruction of a registered
39 barber; provided, that such registered barber, or the
40 person owning or operating such barber school or
41 barber college, shall immediately report in writing to
42 the board the name and age of each apprentice or
43 student working under his direction or training, and
44 shall furnish to the board a certificate of a registered
45 physician that said apprentice or student is not af-
46 flicted with any contagious or infectious disease.
47 Thereupon, and upon payment of a fee of five dollars
48 by the person operating or conducting such school or
49 college, or by such apprentice, as the case may be,
50 the name of such apprentice or student shall be
51 entered in a register of the board for the registering
52 of apprentices and students, and the board may grant
53 to him a permit to practice as an apprentice under a
54 registered barber or as a student in a barber school or

55 barber college under the instruction of a registered
56 barber. After having so practiced for two years
57 under a registered barber, or six months in a properly
58 equipped and conducted barber school or barber col-
59 lege under the instruction of a registered barber and
60 eighteen months under a registered barber, and upon
61 payment of the required fee for examination, such
62 apprentice or student shall be eligible for examina-
63 tion by the board of registration as a barber. No
64 apprentice shall be allowed to practice under his
65 original apprentice registration for more than three
66 years following the date of its issuance, and each
67 apprentice shall annually, on or before December
68 thirty-first, renew his apprentice registration by filing
69 with the board a certificate signed by a registered
70 physician as to his freedom from infectious or con-
71 tagious disease, and upon payment of a fee of fifty
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