

Threading; SB 348

SB 348 exempts certain threading methods from the definition of cosmetology in law related to the licensure of cosmetologists. [*Note:* The Board of Cosmetology currently does not issue licenses to individuals or facilities specifically for providing threading services.]

The bill adds the definition of threading to mean a method of temporary hair removal from the face or front of the neck by use of a strand of thread to pull hair from follicles. The bill allows the use of threading to include the use of over-the-counter astringents, gels, powders, tweezers, or scissors incidental to threading but excludes the use of chemicals, electric needles, heat, or any type of wax or the manipulation of thread using teeth.

The bill also adds the method of threading outside a salon setting to a list of topics the Secretary of Health and Environment must address in an informational brochure concerning infection control techniques. The bill also requires, as a condition of exemption from the practice of cosmetology, an individual engaged in threading to complete the self-test part of the informational brochure and keep the brochure and completed self-test available at the location where the individual is threading.