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HOUSE BILL No. 2597

By Representative Swenson

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9 AN ACT concerning tattoo artists; licensure by endorsement; amending
10 K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-1943 and repealing the existing section.
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12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:
13 Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-1943 is hereby amended to read as

Section 1. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-1943 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-1943. (a) An applicant for licensure shall pay a non-refundable fee established by rules and regulations adopted by the board and shall show to the satisfaction of the board that the applicant:

(1) Has complied with the provisions of this act and the applicable

- (1) Has complied with the provisions of this act and the applicable rules and regulations of the secretary;
 - (2) is not less than 18 years of age;
 - (3) has a high school diploma or equivalent education;
- (4) has submitted evidence of completion of education or training prescribed and approved by the board as follows:
- (A) A training program under the direct supervision of a licensed tattoo artist, cosmetic tattoo artist or body piercer approved and licensed as a trainer by the board, or another state, in the area of practice in which the person seeks licensure;
 - (B) has performed at least 50 completed procedures;
 - (C) pays a non-refundable application fee set by the board;
 - (D) provides verification of training;
- (E) completes eight hours of continuing education, approved by the board, in infection control and blood-borne pathogens, in addition to the infection control curriculum requirement; and
- (F) has successfully completed an examination approved, administered or recognized by the board.
- (b) As a condition of annual license renewal, licensees shall complete five hours of continuing education, approved by the board, in infection control and blood-borne pathogens, in addition to paying any non-refundable renewal fee set by the board. Successfully completing the exam is not a substitute for continuing education requirements.
- (c) If an applicant seeks renewal within six months after the expiration of the practitioner's license, the license may be renewed by submitting, within the six month late renewal period:
 - (1) The non-refundable renewal fee;

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- the non-refundable delinquent fee; and
- documentation of completion of eight hours of continuing education, approved by the board, in infection control and blood-borne pathogens.
- (d) If an applicant seeks renewal more than six months after the expiration of a practitioner's license, the license may be renewed by submitting:
 - The application and application fee;
 - (2)the renewal fee;
 - (3)the delinquent fee; and
- documentation of completion of eight hours of continuing edu-12 cation, approved by the board, in infection control and blood-borne pathogens. The continuing education hours shall have been obtained within 13 two months of the submission of the application and fees.
 - An applicant seeking a license as a trainer shall:
 - Pay any fees set by the board;
 - concurrently maintain a practitioner's license;
 - have no more than one apprentice at any time; and
 - maintain direct supervision of the apprentice. (4)
 - The board may issue, without examination, a license to practice as a tattoo artist to an applicant who pays the prescribed non-refundable fee and submits evidence satisfactory to the board that such applicant:
 - Is not less than 18 years of age; (A)
 - has a high school diploma or equivalent education;
 - is legally authorized to practice tattooing in another state, the District of Columbia, territory or country which has substantially the same requirements for authorization to practice as required for licensure under K.S.A. 65-1940 through 65-1954, and amendments thereto;
 - (D) at the time of making the application has not been subject to discipline or does not have a disciplinary action pending resulting from the practice of tattooing in another state, District of Columbia, territory or foreign country; and
 - (E) has been actively engaged in the practice of tattooing for at least the five-year period immediately prior to the application for licensure under this subsection.
 - (2) No license shall be issued under this subsection to any person without examination unless such person meets all requirements of this subsection.
 - (f) (g) All application, renewal and delinquent fees shall be nonrefundable.
 - Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2009 Supp. 65-1943 is hereby repealed.

- 1 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 2 publication in the statute book.