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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws c. 112, ss. 61 and 87V and c. 30A, the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering will hold two (2) public hearings regarding proposed amendments to its regulations at 240 CMR 2.00-11.00 and the rescission of the regulations of both the former Board of Registration of Barbers, 232 CMR 2.00, and the former Board of Registration of Electrologists, 238 CMR 2.00-4.00. Those former boards were merged with the Board of Cosmetology into a new Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering under 2014 legislation. The rescinded regulations are being moved into the regulations of the new Board of Cosmetology and Barbering at 240 CMR. All sections of 240 CMR 2.00-11.00 are also being amended. By these proposed amendments, the Board seeks to eliminate two-tiered licensing for cosmetologists, barbers, and aestheticians; increase required aesthetics-school hours from 300 to 600 hours; reduce instructor qualifications; permit dual use of cosmetology salons for massage therapy; permit mobile manicuring services and laser electrolysis; and update school requirements. The hearings will be held at 9:30 a.m. on July 25, 2016 at the Division of Professional Licensure at 1000 Washington Street, Boston, Massachusetts, and at 9:30 a.m. on August 1, 2016 at 436 Dwight Street, Room B-42, Springfield, Massachusetts. Interested parties will be given an opportunity to present testimony orally or in writing at the hearings. Written comments may be mailed to the Board of Registration of Cosmetology and Barbering, 1000 Washington Street, Suite 710, Boston, Massachusetts, 02118-6100, Attention: Brian Bialas, Executive Director, or to brian.bialas@state.ma.us. A copy of the proposed regulations may be obtained at the Board's website at <http://www.mass.gov/ocabr/licensee/dpl-boards/hd/> or by



contacting Mr. Bialas at 617-727-1807. The Board will also accept written comments regarding the regulations until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 2016.