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Opposition Testimony on SB133

To Chairman Rulli, Vice-Chair Lang, Ranking Member Sykes, and the Small Business and Economic Opportunity Committee members: Thank you for considering my testimony as I urge you to vote no on Senate Bill 133.

My name is Michael Long II, I am a licensed Barber and Barber Instructor and I am writing this testimony to Oppose Senate Bill 133. My reasons I am opposed to this bill are:

- 1.)The reduction in Barber Training from 1800 to 1000 hours would not allow the Instructors to properly introduce and train students on the Milady 21 Chapter curriculum. You just can't complete 21 chapters within 28 weeks especially when some chapters require 2 weeks of training. A condensed/reduced training curriculum would not prepare them for the State Board Exam.
- 2.)The reduction of hours would drastically reduce the amount of time that students get within the clinic for their Hands On Training and put the students at a disadvantage in the field and lessens the safety for the public and the clients they will perform services on.
- 3.)The reduction of hours would eliminate a large portion of Pell Grants for students who can't afford to come out of pocket for the program and could drastically affect the amount of students who enroll.
- 4.)This bill would affect the future of the Industry and its standards.

Respectfully,

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