

Senate Committee on Business and Transportation
Oregon State Capitol
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This is my testimony submitted to the Committee on Business and Transportation in support of SB 836.

I am a makeup artist. I received my first professional training in theatrical makeup 26 years ago in Hollywood, CA. Since then, I have worked on stage productions, feature films, national television, commercials, music videos, and have been published in numerous magazines amongst other types of media and special events for top celebrities in Hollywood. I have done makeup for U.S. presidents and their families, presidential nominees, senators, governors, congress people and many important reporters and news anchors that deliver their messages.

According to the OHLA interpretation of the current laws in Oregon, I am not qualified to apply makeup or charge for it. I have to learn how to wax and do facials to get my esthetic license to apply makeup. These are skills I have never needed in my profession over the last 26 years, and never will. Our two neighboring states, CA and WA both don't require an esthetic license for makeup artists, because makeup artistry is acknowledged and respected as a craft of it's own. Makeup artists go to makeup school. Estheticians go to cosmetology school.

I want to create Oregon's first makeup school, but in Oregon I'm not qualified to teach makeup artistry without an esthetic license. It's time for a change.

I am asking for a change in legislation that would support makeup artistry to be acknowledged as a stand-alone profession separate from esthetics. I support the makeup artists in our industry in creating an exemption allowing makeup artists to work without needing an esthetic license.

Sincerely,

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