

Good Morning, My name is Patricia Barnett. I have been a practicing esthetician in Arizona and Oregon for over 33 years. I am requesting that Oregon and the legislature for our licensing be grandfathered in and no changes to the use of Galvanic current, Hi Frequency current, Microderm and any other existing devices that have been under our umbrella of use be changed. Many of these devices are sold on Amazon for public use. We have been trained to use them in our industry for over 50 years and I do not believe the medical industry has a right to take away our livelihood for their expansion into medical devices, lasers and such. I do believe those new machines do require special training for the estheticians who work in the medical field. These 2 scopes of practice should be separated and advanced training should be required if an esthetician is working for a medical spa or doctor, but not at the expense of an existing scope of work to be destroyed in the process.

Personally, I practice and have owned a salon for 27 years of my career. I have an immaculate track record of my client and services with these machines and practices. I can not take a year off working to go back to school for Advanced Esthetics, nor incur the expensive cost to do the required training to be allowed to perform services I already know and do for years. I have no intention to go into the medical spa field, use medical laser equipment or this type of advanced training. Advanced esthetics training is specifically geared toward the advancement of this type of work in a Medical spa. This is unfair and unreasonable legislation regarding the benefit of the medical industry, destroying in the process the beauty industry of salons and my practice in the process. I demand fair legislation keeping intact all the uses of the cosmetology industry licensing that has been in place for decades.

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