

Hello Oregon senate! Thank you for meeting on this topic.

My name is Briana, and I am writing in support of Bill HB2970 to update the definition of the word 'device' for the purpose of non-ablative Advanced Aesthetics.

I became licensed in esthetics in the state of Oregon in July 2019, and more recently I acquired my advanced aesthetics license in March 2021. The decision of this bill affects licensed estheticians in the state of Oregon very much.

Before advanced Aesthetics was even a thing, standard estheticians in Oregon were using galvanic current, high frequency devices, and LED devices. These are all devices that I trained on while I was in beauty school. There are safety and sanitation standards that need to be met when using these devices, and I feel like I learned all of that through the standard esthetician training program. I would say, except for cleanliness, there is little risk to using these devices.

As someone who is now working as an advanced aesthetician, I can also say that there is a major difference between the lasers, micro needling, coolsculpting and radio frequency devices that we use in our practice, and the devices that are used in standard aesthetics. Advanced Aesthetics devices such as Tattoo lasers and microneedling, in an untrained hand, have the ability to cause much more severe harm to someone's body and skin than the devices that are potentially going out of scope of standard Aesthetics.

Another point is that if the definition is not updated many aestheticians would have to pay the upwards of \$10,000 to go back to Advanced Aesthetics school, which would be great for the schools... but many people cannot afford that time or the money it would take to continue doing something that they've done safely for so long.

Please support this bill. These devices, like galvanic current, micro dermabrasion and LED therapy have been used for a very long time by many aestheticians safely, and many people's livelihoods depend on continuing to use the devices that they relied on for so long.

Thank you for taking the time to read my testimony and I look forward to hearing your decision :-)

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