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TO: All Licensees

FROM: Bob McKee, Executive Director

DATE: November 13, 2014

RE: Inactive Licensee Status

Throughout the years, the definition of an inactive license has become quite blurred. By definition, an inactive licensee is a person who does not currently work in the cosmetology field, but does not wish to totally give up his/her license. This person might be currently working in another field, but may have thoughts about returning to the cosmetology field at some future point. Others have chosen the inactive status because they were allowed to continue to receive discounts, however small, at beauty supply stores. However, there are inactive licensees who continue to work in the cosmetology field. For whatever reason, these licensees renewed as inactive, but continued to work in shops, offering either parts or all of the cosmetology services that an active licensee can offer. The Board has been very mindful of all of these factors.

Having struggled with this issue of inactive licenses for several years, our Board has decided to no longer offer this option. **All licenses issued will be "Active" for the renewal fee of \$80.00.** The Board earnestly believes that those who are serious about practicing this profession will suffer no hardship by maintaining an active license.

As always, if you have any questions, please contact our office. We are here to assist you.