SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. House Bill 1820 **PRINTER NO.** 2446

AMOUNT

See Fiscal Impact General Fund Restricted Account

DATE INTRODUCED PRIME SPONSOR

November 8, 2023 Representative Bullock

DESCRIPTION

House Bill 1820 amends the Cosmetology Law to eliminate the natural hair braiding license under the State Board of Cosmetology.

This legislation removes references related to natural hair braiding from the Cosmetology Law and removes requirements relating to curriculum, fees, duration and renewal of license and penalties. The bill clarifies that nothing shall prohibit or regulate the practice of natural hair braiding or to operate a business related to natural hair braiding if not engaging in other forms of cosmetology.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

According to information provided by the Department of State, House Bill 1820 will result in a loss of \$9,000 in biennial fees for the State Board of Cosmetology. The bill will also result in minimal savings related to fewer needed inspections and investigations related to natural hair braiding.