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## AMENDMENT MEMO

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**2023 Assembly Bill 981**

**Assembly  
Amendment 2**

### **2023 ASSEMBLY BILL 981**

2023 Assembly Bill 981 requires the Department of Justice, in consultation with various other state agencies, to identify and establish materials for use in providing instruction on recognition and reporting of human trafficking to students in schools of barbering, cosmetology, aesthetics, electrology, and manicuring. Further, the bill requires provision of instruction on the dynamics of exploitation and recognition and reporting of suspected human trafficking as a condition of licensure of such schools.

### **ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2**

With respect to the consultation described above, DOJ must, more specifically, consult with the technical college system board, the department of safety and professional services (DPS), and the cosmetology examining board. Assembly Amendment 2 removes DPS from the list of agencies with whom the bill directs DOJ to consult.

Also among its provisions, Assembly Bill 981 directs DPS to require the provision of instruction in recognition and reporting of human trafficking as a condition that must be satisfied prior to licensure as a school of barbering. Assembly Amendment 2 revises the manner in which this instruction directive is written, to remove the phrase “DPS shall require” and instead state more directly that a school of barbering must provide instruction in recognition and reporting of human trafficking, as identified by DOJ.

### **BILL HISTORY**

2023 Assembly Bill 981 was introduced by Representative Stubbs on January 19, 2024. On February 20, 2024, Representative Stubbs offered Assembly Amendment 2 to Assembly Bill 981. On February 20, 2024, the Assembly adopted Assembly Amendment 2 and passed Assembly Bill 981 on successive voice votes.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature’s [bill history page](#).

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