Public Act 19-117

Sec. 196. Section 19a-231 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1, 2019): (a) As used in this section, [:] House Bill No. 7424 Public Act No. 19-117 239 of 580 [(1) "Salon"] "salon" includes any shop, store, day spa or other commercial establishment at which the practice of barbering, as described in section 20-234, hairdressing and cosmetology, as defined in section 20-250, or the services of a nail technician, an esthetician or an eyelash technician, as such terms are defined in section 191 of this act, or any combination thereof, is offered and provided. [; and] [(2) "Nail technician" means a person who, for compensation, cuts, shapes, polishes or enhances the appearance of the nails of the hands or feet, including, but not limited to, the application and removal of sculptured or artificial nails.] (b) Not later than October 1, 2019, the Department of Public Health, in collaboration with the local directors of health of the state, shall establish a standardized inspection form and guidelines concerning standards for the inspection of the sanitary condition of a salon. Such guidelines shall include, but need not be limited to: (1) The use of personal protective equipment, including, but not limited to, disposable gloves as a barrier against infectious materials; (2) the immediate disposal after use in a covered waste receptacle of all articles that came into direct contact with the customer's skin, nails or hair that cannot be effectively cleaned or sanitized; (3) the proper cleaning and sanitizing of bowls used for soaking fingers; (4) the use of hospital-grade cleaner to clean the area and materials used in the practice of hairdressing, cosmetology and by nail technicians, estheticians and eyelash technicians, including, but not limited to, chairs, armrests, tables, countertops, trays, seats and soaking tubs for both hands and feet; and (5) the required availability of handwashing sinks in an area where the hairdresser, cosmetologist or nail technician is working. The department shall post such standardized inspection form and guidelines on the department's Internet web site. [(b)] (c) The director of health for any town, city, borough or district department of health, or the director's authorized representative, shall, House Bill No. 7424 Public Act No. 19-117 240 of 580 on an annual basis, inspect all salons within the director's jurisdiction regarding their sanitary condition and on and after the adoption of standards under subsection (b) of this section, such inspection shall be in accordance with such standards. The director of health, or the director's authorized representative, shall have full power to enter and inspect any such salon during usual business hours. If any salon, upon such inspection, is found to be in an unsanitary condition, the director of health shall [make] issue a written order that such salon [be placed in a sanitary condition] correct any inspection violations identified by the director of health or the director's authorized representative. (d) Not later than October 1, 2019, the Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's designee, in collaboration with the local directors of health of the state, shall establish infection prevention and control plan guidelines for licensed nail technicians, eyelash technicians or estheticians, which shall be posted on the department's Internet web site. (e) The director of health may collect from the operator of any such salon a reasonable fee, not to exceed [one] two hundred fifty dollars, for the cost of conducting any annual inspection of such salon pursuant to this section. Notwithstanding any municipal charter, home rule ordinance or special act, any fee collected by the director of health pursuant to this section shall be used by the town, city, borough or district department of health for conducting inspections pursuant to this section.