By the Committee on Health Policy; and Senator Grimsley

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to laser hair removal; amending s.

478.42, F.S.; defining terms; amending s. 478.49,

F.S.; providing certification and training

requirements for licensed electrologists who use laser or pulsed-light devices in hair removal; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Subsections (6) and (7) are added to section 478.42, Florida Statutes, to read:

478.42 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

- (6) "Laser hair removal" means the use of a laser or pulsed-light device in a hair removal procedure that does not remove the epidermis.
- (7) "Laser or pulsed-light device" means an electronic device approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for laser hair removal.

Section 2. Section 478.49, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

478.49 License and certification required.-

- (1) No person may practice electrology or hold herself or himself out as an electrologist in this state unless the person has been issued a license by the department and holds an active license pursuant to the requirements of this chapter.
- (2) A licensee shall display her or his license in a conspicuous location in her or his place of practice and provide it to the department or the board upon request.

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(3) A licensee who uses a laser or pulsed-light device in a laser hair removal procedure must be certified by a nationally recognized electrology organization in the use of these devices and must have the appropriate training, as determined by board rule, for each such device used by the licensee.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.