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Dear Senator McGuire and Representative LeDoux,

Let me thank you for sponsoring SB 168 / HB 289, which proposes positive changes for the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers.

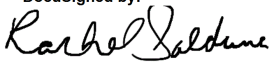
I believe it is very important for the nearly 1,000 nail technicians and manicurists within the state to have Board representation. I am glad to see that the Legislature is being asked to add a 7<sup>th</sup> board member to the board.

I also agree that there are too many barbers currently on the Board. With only 151 licensed barbers, it makes no sense to have 2 dedicated Board seats. I am glad to see that 1 of those seats will be opened up to any licensee regulated by the Board of Barbers and Hairdressers.

I am extremely pleased to know that this legislation will not cost the state any money, as this bill holds a zero general fund fiscal note.

I am in full support of SB 168 / HB 289.

Sincerely,

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