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## **Substantive Policy Statement: No. 1**

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### **Arizona State Board of Cosmetology**

#### **Substantive Policy Statement**

#### **A.R.S. § 32-556; Separation of Schools from Other Businesses**

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#### **Applicable Law:**

**A.R.S. § 32-556 states:**

**Separation of schools from other businesses A school of any type, including a cosmetology school or otherwise, shall not be conducted with any other business, including a salon. A school of any type, including a cosmetology school or otherwise, and another business shall be separated by walls of permanent construction and not have doors or openings between them. A cosmetology school may offer for sale cosmetology products and related articles.**

#### **PURPOSE**

To inform school owners and the public of the agency's approach to A.R.S. § 32-556 as it applies to schools using a facility normally occupied by a licensed school as defined in A.R.S. § 32-501(12) which teaches cosmetology, aesthetics or nail technology or any combination thereof (hereinafter referred to as "Cosmetology School") when the Cosmetology School is closed.

### **SUBSTANTIVE POLICY STATEMENT**

The Board interprets A.R.S. § 32-556 to allow a school to operate in a Cosmetology School facility when the Cosmetology School is closed and when no Cosmetology School students are present.

While A.R.S. § 32-556 prohibits a school of any type to be conducted with another business, it allows a school to operate in a facility that is used by a Cosmetology School when that Cosmetology School is closed. When no Cosmetology School instruction is occurring and no Cosmetology School students are present, this facility may be used by another school. In order to facilitate this, schools are encouraged to make it clear to the public and to Board Investigators and Inspectors which school is in operation at any given day and time.