The Rules for the Administration of the Medical Practice Act were recently amended to add Section 1285.336 Use of Lasers.

Procedures involving a laser classified by the FDA as a medical device must be performed by a licensed physician. The physician must examine the patient and determine an appropriate course of treatment before any laser procedures are performed. The physician may delegate the performance of laser procedures to a person who is functioning as an assistant to the licensed physician.

NOTE- An individual may not hold himself or herself out as a cosmetologist or esthetician while performing a service delegated by a licensed physician. An individual may not indicate in any manner that a service delegated by a licensed physician is part of the practice of cosmetology or esthetics.