

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 379—ASSEMBLYMEN CLABORN, KOIVISTO,
ANDERSON, BACHE, BUCKLEY, CHOWNING, COLLINS, HUMKE,
LESLIE, MANENDO, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON, OCEGUERA AND
SMITH

MARCH 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Provides for establishment of minimum standards for education, training and certification of plumbers. (BDR 53-1154)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to plumbers; requiring the division of industrial relations of the department of business and industry to establish minimum standards for the education, training and certification of plumbers; authorizing the division to establish a schedule of fees for the certification of plumbers; prohibiting a person from working as a plumber unless he holds a certificate as a plumber issued by the division; prohibiting the state contractors' board from issuing a license to, or renewing the license of, a plumber who does not hold a certificate as a plumber issued by the division; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** Chapter 618 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto
2 the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.
3 **Sec. 2.** *The division shall adopt regulations establishing standards*
4 *for the education and training of plumbers, including, without limitation,*
5 *regulations:*
6 1. *Requiring the establishment and implementation of programs for*
7 *the education, training and certification of plumbers;*
8 2. *Requiring the annual certification of plumbers; and*
9 3. *Establishing a schedule of reasonable fees for the issuance and*
10 *renewal of a certificate as a plumber.*
11 **Sec. 3.** 1. *The division shall issue a certificate as a plumber to a*
12 *person who:*
13 (a) *Successfully completes the required education and training*
14 *established by the division pursuant to section 2 of this act;*



1 (b) Pays the required fee, if any, for the issuance of the certificate;
2 and
3 (c) Complies with all other requirements established by the division
4 for the issuance of the certificate.
5 2. A person shall not work as a plumber in this state unless he holds
6 a certificate as a plumber issued by the division pursuant to this section.
7 Sec. 4. 1. An applicant for the issuance or renewal of a certificate
8 as a plumber shall submit with his application the statement prescribed
9 by the welfare division of the department of human resources pursuant to
10 NRS 425.520. The statement must be completed and signed by the
11 applicant.
12 2. The division of industrial relations shall include the statement
13 required pursuant to subsection 1 in:
14 (a) The application or any other forms that must be submitted for the
15 issuance or renewal of the certificate; or
16 (b) A separate form prescribed by the division.
17 3. The division shall not issue or renew a certificate as a plumber if
18 the applicant:
19 (a) Fails to submit the statement required pursuant to subsection 1; or
20 (b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that
21 he is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in
22 compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or
23 other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount
24 owed pursuant to the order.
25 4. If an applicant indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to
26 subsection 1 that he is subject to a court order for the support of a child
27 and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district
28 attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of
29 the amount owed pursuant to the order, the person to whom the
30 application was submitted shall advise the applicant to contact the district
31 attorney or other public agency enforcing the order to determine the
32 actions that the applicant may take to satisfy the arrearage.
33 Sec. 5. An application for the issuance of a certificate as a plumber
34 pursuant to sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act must include the social
35 security number of the applicant.
36 Sec. 6. 1. If the division receives a copy of a court order issued
37 pursuant to NRS 425.540 that provides for the suspension of all
38 professional, occupational and recreational licenses, certificates and
39 permits issued to a person who holds a certificate as a plumber, the
40 division shall deem the certificate issued to that person to be suspended
41 at the end of the 30th day after the date on which the court order was
42 issued unless the division receives a letter issued by the district attorney
43 or other public agency pursuant to NRS 425.550 to the person who has
44 been issued the certificate stating that the person has complied with the
45 subpoena or warrant or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to NRS
46 425.560.
47 2. The division shall reinstate a certificate as a plumber that has
48 been suspended by a district court pursuant to NRS 425.540 if the
49 division receives a letter issued by the district attorney or other public



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1 *agency pursuant to NRS 425.550 to the plumber whose certificate was*
2 *suspended stating that the plumber whose certificate was suspended has*
3 *complied with the subpoena or warrant or has satisfied the arrearage*
4 *pursuant to NRS 425.560.*

5 **Sec. 7.** Chapter 624 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
6 new section to read as follows:

7 *The board shall not issue or renew a specialty license in plumbing to*
8 *any person who does not hold a certificate as a plumber issued by the*
9 *division of industrial relations of the department of business and industry*
10 *pursuant to sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act.*

11 **Sec. 8.** 1. This section and sections 1 and 2 of this act become
12 effective upon passage and approval.

13 2. Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act become effective on July 1,
14 2002.

15 3. The provisions of sections 4, 5 and 6 of this act expire by limitation
16 on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state
17 to establish procedures under which the state has the authority to withhold
18 or suspend, or to restrict the use of, professional, occupational and
19 recreational licenses of persons who:

20 (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a
21 proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce
22 an obligation for the support of a child; or

23 (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more
24 children,

25 are repealed by the Congress of the United States.

