

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 300

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEVILLIER

PLUMBERS: Provides relative to licensure for plumbers

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37: 1371(A)(1) and 1380(A) and to repeal R.S. 37:1368(C) and  
3 (D), relative to licensure for plumbers; to remove references to restricted licensure;  
4 to make technical changes; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37: 1371(A)(1) and 1380(A) are hereby amended and reenacted and  
7 to read as follows:

8 §1371. Fees

9 A.(1) The board may fix and charge reasonable examination, licensing, and  
10 renewal fees for tradesman, journeyman, and master plumbers, temporary permit  
11 fees for journeyman plumbers, ~~restricted license fees for journeyman and master~~  
12 ~~plumbers~~, and renewal fees for inactive master plumbers. The board may fix and  
13 charge reasonable examination, licensing, and renewal fees for persons engaged in  
14 the work or business of medical gas piping installation and for persons engaged in  
15 the work or business of a medical gas and vacuum system verifier. The board may  
16 fix and charge reasonable examination, licensing, and renewal fees associated with  
17 endorsements issued to journeyman or master plumbers relative to the work of a  
18 water supply protection specialist. The board may also fix and charge a reasonable  
19 registration fee for apprentice plumbers. These fees shall not exceed the amount

1 required to maintain the board and pay the expenses of operating the board and  
2 enforcing the provisions of this Chapter.

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4 §1380. Insurance requirements for master plumbers

5 A. No master plumber ~~or restricted master plumber~~ license shall be issued,  
6 renewed, or revived until the applicant has provided proof acceptable to the board  
7 that insurance has been issued to the employing entity which is designated in  
8 accordance with R.S. 37:1367 by an insurer authorized to do business in this state.

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10 Section 2. R.S. 37:1368(C) and (D) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Eliminates the restricted journeyman plumber license and restricted master plumber licenses as options for licensure of plumbers.

Present law requires persons engaged in the business of plumbing to hold a valid license issued by the state plumbing board. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law allows plumbers to obtain licensure in several ways with varying degrees of education, experience, and standardized certification required for varying licenses.

Two licenses provided for in present law are the restricted journeyman plumber license and restricted master plumber license. Both of these licenses are issued based on plumbing activity the applicant engaged in prior to 1990.

Proposed law removes the restricted journeyman and restricted master plumbing licenses from the licensure options available under present law.

Proposed law removes references to the licenses being removed and makes technical changes.

(Amends R.S. 37:1371(A)(1) and 1380(A); Repeals R.S. 37:1368(C) and (D))