

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 258

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO A SPECIALTY LIMITED HEATING CONTRACTOR/JOURNEYMAN; AMENDING SECTION 54-5009, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FIVE CLASSIFICATIONS OF LICENSURE AND TO DEFINE A "SPECIALTY LIMITED HEATING CONTRACTOR/JOURNEYMAN"; AND AMENDING SECTION 54-5012, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FEES FOR APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION FOR A SPECIALTY LIMITED HEATING CONTRACTOR/JOURNEYMAN LICENSE.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 54-5009, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-5009. CLASSIFICATION OF COMPETENCY. There shall be ~~four~~ five (45) classifications of competency in the business, trade, practice or work of heating, ventilation and air conditioning as follows:

(1) An apprentice shall be any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in learning and assisting in the installation, improvement, extension and alteration or repair of HVAC systems. An apprentice shall not perform HVAC work except under the supervision of an HVAC journeyman or HVAC contractor. This classification applies to a specialty apprentice as defined in section 54-5003, Idaho Code.

(2) A journeyman shall be any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in the installation, improvement, extension and alteration or repair of HVAC systems and who is familiar with the provisions of this chapter and who works in the employ and under direction of an HVAC contractor and has successfully completed all trade required classes as directed by the board. This classification applies to a specialty journeyman as defined in section 54-5003, Idaho Code.

(3) A heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractor shall be any business, trade, partnership, company, firm or association engaged in, but not limited to, the business, trade, practice or work of installing, maintaining or repairing heating, ventilation or air conditioning appliances, or gas-fired equipment that requires special venting or gas supply piping systems or subsystems in the state of Idaho.

(4) A heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty contractor shall be any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in a specific aspect of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning trade that includes, but is not limited to, such aspects as gas piping, gas appliances and installation, or decorative gas-fired appliances. A certificate of competency issued for the installation of hearth and barbecue products shall include the authority for all low voltage work necessary to complete the installations.

(5) A "specialty limited heating contractor/journeyman" shall be any person who installs, maintains, services and repairs gas-fired space heating and decorative and water heating systems including low voltage thermostatic controls, twenty-four (24) volts or less, fuel gas

1 pipng and related appliance exhaust venting. This classification shall exclude boilers, hydronic
2 systems, ducted forced air systems, ventilating and air conditioning systems, systems with
3 a BTU input rating over three hundred thousand (300,000), solid fuel and electric fueled
4 systems. The training of such licensee shall correspond to years one (1) and two (2) of HVAC
5 journeyman training not to exceed three hundred twenty-four (324) hours and shall include a
6 two (2) year apprenticeship period.

7 SECTION 2. That Section 54-5012, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to
8 read as follows:

9 54-5012. FEES FOR APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION, CERTIFICATES OF
10 COMPETENCY AND REGISTRATION OF APPRENTICES. (1) Application for examination.

11 (a) HVAC contractor or specialty contractor, including a specialty limited heating
12 contractor..... \$35.00

13 (b) HVAC journeyman or specialty journeyman, including a specialty limited heating
14 contractor..... \$35.00

15 (2) Certificate of competency, initial issue, valid for one (1) year; or may be issued at the
16 annual rate for up to three (3) years.

17 (a) HVAC contractor or specialty contractor..... \$75.00

18 (b) HVAC journeyman or specialty journeyman..... \$50.00

19 (3) Renewal of certificate of competency, valid for one (1) year; or may be issued at the
20 annual rate for up to three (3) years.

21 (a) HVAC contractor or specialty contractor..... \$50.00

22 (b) HVAC journeyman or specialty journeyman..... \$25.00

23 (4) Each apprentice and specialty apprentice is required to register annually. The annual
24 registration fee is fifteen dollars (\$15.00).