

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 258, As Amended in the Senate

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO A SPECIALTY LIMITED HEATING CONTRACTOR/JOURNEYMAN;
AMENDING SECTION 54-5003, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE DEFINITIONS AND TO
PROVIDE A DEFINITION OF "SPECIALTY LIMITED HEATING."

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

SECTION 1. That Section 54-5003, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

54-5003. DEFINITIONS. As used in this chapter:

(1) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC)" means and includes the business, trade, practice or work, materials and fixtures used in the design, construction, installation, improvement, extension and alteration of all piping, venting, ductwork, appliances and appurtenances in connection with any heating, ventilation or air conditioning system or subsystems of such.

(2) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning apprentice" means any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in learning and assisting in installation, improvement, extension, alteration or repair of HVAC systems. An apprentice shall perform HVAC work under the supervision of an HVAC journeyman or HVAC contractor.

(3) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractor" means any person who fabricates, installs, maintains, services and repairs warm air heating and water heating systems, heat pumps, complete with warm air appliances including, but not limited to, boilers, pool heaters, space heaters, decorative gas and solid-fuel burning furnaces, and gas, propane, electric or oil-fired water heaters; ventilating systems complete with blowers and plenum chambers; air conditioning systems complete with air conditioning unit and the ducts, registers, flues, humidity and thermostatic controls of air, liquid or gas temperatures below fifty (50) degrees fahrenheit or ten (10) degrees celsius, and air filters in connection with any of these systems.

(4) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning journeyman" means any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in the installation, improvement, extension, 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.

(5) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty apprentice including specialty limited heating apprentice" means any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in learning and assisting in a specific aspect of installation, improvement, extension, alteration or repair of HVAC systems that includes, but is not limited to, such aspects as gas piping, gas appliances and installation, or decorative gas-fired appliances. A specialty apprentice shall perform HVAC work under the supervision of an HVAC journeyman, HVAC specialty journeyman, HVAC contractor or an HVAC specialty contractor.

(6) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty contractor including specialty limited heating contractor" means any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged in

1 a specific aspect of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning trade that includes, but is not
2 limited to, such aspects as gas piping, gas appliances and installation, or decorative gas-fired
3 appliances.

4 (7) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty journeyman including specialty
5 limited heating journeyman" means any person who, as his principal occupation, is engaged
6 in a specific aspect of installation, improvement, extension, alteration or repairing of HVAC
7 systems that includes, but is not limited to, such aspects as gas piping, gas appliances and
8 installation, or decorative gas-fired appliances. A specialty journeyman is familiar with the
9 provisions of this chapter and works in the employ and under direction of an HVAC contractor
10 or an HVAC specialty contractor.

11 (8) "Heating, ventilation and air conditioning system" means any heating, ventilation
12 or air conditioning system in a residential, private, public or semipublic building or structure
13 including, but not limited to, any mechanical means of heating or air conditioning and to gas
14 piping, venting, ductwork and controls.

15 (9) "Local government" means any incorporated city or any county in the state.

16 (10) "Specialty limited heating" as it applies to the definitions of "heating, ventilation
17 and air conditioning specialty apprentice," "heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty
18 contractor" and "heating, ventilation and air conditioning specialty journeyman" means any
19 person who installs, maintains, services and repairs LP gas-fired appliances, LP fuel gas
20 piping and related exhaust venting. This definition of specialty limited heating shall exclude
21 boilers, hydronic systems, ducted forced air systems, ventilating and air conditioning systems,
22 systems with a BTU input rating over three hundred thousand (300,000), solid fuel and
23 electric fueled systems. A "specialty limited heating journeyman" is required to meet the
24 experience requirement and either the education or examination requirement set forth in this
25 section to receive a certificate of competency. The education of a "specialty limited heating
26 journeyman" shall include one hundred twenty (120) hours of instruction approved by the board
27 of professional-technical education in LP gas specialty education. The experience requirement
28 of a "specialty limited heating journeyman" shall be two (2) years' experience working in
29 the trade, in compliance with the requirements of the state in which the applicant received
30 his supervision or as a registered HVAC apprentice or registered HVAC specialty apprentice
31 making HVAC installation on the job under the supervision of a qualified HVAC journeyman
32 or qualified HVAC specialty journeyman. The examination required in this section shall be
33 developed by the board of professional-technical education and approved by the Idaho heating,
34 ventilation and air conditioning board.