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Introduced by:
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**AN ACT CONCERNING LICENSURE OF SHEET METAL WORKERS,
GLAZIERS, SHORTHAND REPORTERS AND SWIMMING POOL
MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 20-334a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (e) The following licenses for sheet metal work may be issued by the
4 department upon authorization of the examining board for heating,
5 piping, cooling and sheet metal work, under the provisions of section
6 20-333, in addition to any licenses or permits issued for such work
7 under subsection (a) of this section:

8 (1) Prior to July 1, [2000] 2001, a limited contractor's license for large
9 commercial sheet metal work may be issued to any person who has
10 worked as a sheet metal contractor or successfully worked in such
11 trade in the capacity of a journeyman sheet metal worker for not less
12 than two years.

13 (2) On or after July 1, [2000] 2001, a limited contractor's license for
14 large commercial sheet metal work may be issued to any person who

15 has (A) served as a journeyman in the trade for which such person
16 seeks a license for not less than two years, and (B) if such service as a
17 journeyman was outside this state, furnished evidence satisfactory to
18 the examining board for heating, piping, cooling and sheet metal work
19 that such service is comparable to similar service in this state.

20 (3) Prior to July 1, [2000] 2001, a limited journeyman's license for
21 large commercial sheet metal work may be issued to any person who
22 has (A) successfully completed a bona fide apprenticeship program,
23 including not less than four years of experience in the trade for which
24 such person seeks a license, or (B) demonstrated such person's
25 competency to perform such work by furnishing proof of continuous
26 employment in such trade for not less than eight thousand hours
27 within the previous five years, subject to the approval of the examining
28 board for heating, piping, cooling and sheet metal work.

29 (4) On or after July 1, [2000] 2001, a limited journeyman's license for
30 large commercial sheet metal work may be issued to any person who
31 has (A) successfully completed a bona fide apprenticeship program,
32 including not less than four years of experience in the trade for which
33 such person seeks a license, and (B) demonstrated such person's
34 competency to perform all services included in the trade for which a
35 license is sought by successfully completing the applicable state
36 licensure examination.

37 Sec. 2. Section 20-654 of the general statutes is repealed and the
38 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

39 (a) No person shall receive a license under the provisions of sections
40 20-650 to 20-656, inclusive, until such person has passed an
41 examination which shall be substantially similar to the examination of
42 the National Court Reporters Association, or demonstrates to the
43 satisfaction of the board that such person has actively engaged in the
44 practice of shorthand reporting in this state before October 1, 1997, or
45 has submitted evidence satisfactory to the board that such person is a
46 Registered Professional Reporter of the National Court Reporters

47 Association or its equivalent.

48 (b) If the applicant satisfies the requirements of this section, upon
49 payment of the fee required by section 20-653, the board shall
50 authorize the Department of Consumer Protection to issue a license to
51 the applicant, showing that the person named in such license is
52 entitled to engage in the practice of shorthand reporting in this state in
53 accordance with the provisions of sections 20-650 to 20-656, inclusive.
54 Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of section 21a-10, any
55 such license shall be valid for a period of [three] two years.

56 (c) Any license issued under the provisions of sections 20-650 to 20-
57 656, inclusive, upon payment of the fee required by section 20-653,
58 may be renewed for a period of [three] two years. As a condition of
59 any such renewal, the licensee shall furnish evidence satisfactory to the
60 board that the licensee has completed not less than thirty continuing
61 education credits since receipt of the initial license or the previous
62 license renewal. The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall, by
63 regulation adopted in accordance with chapter 54 and upon the
64 recommendation of the board, establish requirements for (1) the
65 continuing education of licensed shorthand reporters; (2) the form and
66 content of the examination shorthand reporters are required to pass to
67 satisfy the licensure requirements set forth in subsection (a) of section
68 20-654; and (3) such other matters as the commissioner deems
69 necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

70 Sec. 3. Subsection (d) of section 20-417aa of the general statutes is
71 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

72 (d) Any person engaged in swimming pool maintenance and repair
73 work prior to July 1, 1999, may apply to the Department of Consumer
74 Protection for the appropriate limited license and such license shall be
75 issued without examination upon demonstration by the applicant of
76 experience and training equivalent to the experience and training
77 required to qualify for examination for the appropriate limited license,
78 if such applicant makes such application to the department not later

79 than January 1, 2002.

80 Sec. 4. Subsection (f) of section 20-334a of the general statutes is
81 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

82 (f) On and after October 1, [2000] 2001, the following licenses for
83 automotive glass work and flat glass work may be issued by the
84 department upon authorization of the examining board for automotive
85 glass work and flat glass work, under the provisions of section 20-333:

86 (1) On and after October 1, [2000] 2001, but before October 1, [2001]
87 2002, an unlimited contractor's license for automotive glass work or
88 flat glass work may be issued to any person who has served as a
89 journeyman in the trade for which such person seeks a license for not
90 less than three years. On and after October 1, 2001, an unlimited
91 contractor's license for automotive glass work or flat glass work may
92 be issued to any person who (A) has served as a journeyman in the
93 trade for which such person seeks a license for not less than three years
94 and, if such service as a journeyman was outside this state, has
95 furnished evidence satisfactory to the examining board for automotive
96 glass work and flat glass work that such service is comparable to
97 similar service in this state, and (B) has furnished satisfactory evidence
98 of education and experience and has passed an examination which has
99 demonstrated that such person is competent in all aspects of such
100 trade to be an unlimited contractor for automotive glass work or flat
101 glass work.

102 (2) On and after October 1, 2000, but before October 1, [2001] 2002,
103 an unlimited journeyman's license for automotive glass work or flat
104 glass work may be issued to any person who has served in the trade
105 for which such person seeks a license for not less than two years. On
106 and after October 1, 2001, an unlimited journeyman's license for
107 automotive glass work or flat glass work may be issued to any person
108 who has successfully completed a bona fide apprenticeship program as
109 required by the examining board for automotive glass work and flat
110 glass work, and has demonstrated such person's competency to

- 111 perform all services included in the trade for which a license is sought
112 by successfully completing the applicable state licensure examination.

Statement of Purpose:

To extend the effective dates of the sheet metal work licensing provisions by one year; to shorten the period covered by a license for shorthand reporting by one year; to close the indefinite date by which applicants for a license to engage in swimming pool maintenance and repair work may qualify under the grandfather provision; and to extend the effective dates of the glazier licensing provisions by one year.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]