



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 440

LCO No. 1702

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:

(GL)

AN ACT CONCERNING HEARTH INSTALLERS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 20-420 of the general statutes, as amended by
2 section 1 of public act 03-186, is repealed and the following is
3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2004*):

4 (a) No person shall hold oneself out to be a contractor or salesperson
5 without first obtaining a certificate of registration from the
6 commissioner as provided in this chapter, except that an individual or
7 partner, or officer or director of a corporation registered as a contractor
8 shall not be required to obtain a salesperson's certificate.

9 (b) No certificate shall be given to any person who holds oneself out
10 to be a contractor that performs radon mitigation unless such
11 contractor provides evidence, satisfactory to the commissioner, that the
12 contractor is certified as a radon mitigator by the National Radon
13 Safety Board or the National Environmental Health Association.

14 (c) No certificate shall be given to any person who holds oneself out
15 to be a contractor that installs, services or repairs any hearth product,

16 unless such contractor provides evidence, satisfactory to the
17 commissioner, that the contractor is certified by the National Fireplace
18 Institute. For purposes of this subsection, "hearth product" means a
19 propane or natural gas-fired fireplace.

20 [(b)] (d) No contractor shall employ any salesman to procure
21 business from an owner unless the salesman is registered under this
22 chapter.

23 [(c)] (e) No individual shall act as a home improvement salesman
24 for an unregistered contractor.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2004

Statement of Purpose:

To allow a hearth installer to get a certificate of registration as a home contractor.

[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.]