



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 562

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**AN ACT EXEMPTING P-6, P-7, W-8 AND W-9 LICENSE HOLDERS
FROM CERTAIN CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 20-334d of the 2006 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 (a) As used in this section:

5 (1) "Accredited continuing professional education" means any
6 education of an electrician or plumber that is designed to maintain
7 professional competence in the pursuit, practice and standards of
8 electrical work or plumbing and piping work and that is approved by
9 the commissioner and is provided by an organization, institution or
10 agency that is approved by the commissioner;

11 (2) "Certificate of continuing education" means a document issued
12 to an electrician or plumber by an organization, institution or agency
13 approved by the commissioner that offers accredited continuing
14 professional education, which (A) certifies that an electrician or
15 plumber has satisfactorily completed a specified number of continuing
16 education hours, and (B) bears the name of such organization,
17 institution or agency, the title of the program, the dates during which
18 the program was conducted, the number of continuing education

19 hours satisfactorily completed and the signature of the director of such
20 organization, institution or agency or the signature of the director's
21 authorized agent;

22 (3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Consumer
23 Protection.

24 (b) The commissioner, with the advice and assistance of the
25 Electrical Work Board established pursuant to subsection (b) of section
26 20-331, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, to (1)
27 establish requirements for accredited continuing professional
28 education for electricians licensed pursuant to sections 20-330 to 20-
29 341, inclusive, as amended; (2) establish qualifying criteria for
30 accredited continuing professional education programs and establish
31 qualifying criteria for acceptable certificates of continuing education;
32 and (3) provide for the waiver of required accredited continuing
33 professional education for electricians for good cause.

34 (c) The commissioner, with the advice and assistance of the
35 Plumbing and Piping Work Board established pursuant to subsection
36 (d) of section 20-331, shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
37 chapter 54, to (1) establish requirements for accredited continuing
38 professional education for plumbers licensed pursuant to sections 20-
39 330 to 20-341, inclusive, as amended; (2) establish qualifying criteria for
40 accredited continuing professional education programs and establish
41 qualifying criteria for acceptable certificates of continuing education;
42 and (3) provide for the waiver of required accredited continuing
43 professional education for plumbers for good cause.

44 (d) Any plumber who has served an apprenticeship that included at
45 least seven hundred hours of related classroom instruction shall be
46 exempt from any continuing education requirement established
47 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

48 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (c) of this section,
49 any person who has been issued a P-6, P-7, W-8 or W-9 license
50 pursuant to section 20-334a of the 2006 supplement to the general

51 statutes and the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be
52 required to meet the continuing education requirements established
53 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	20-334d
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GL *Joint Favorable Subst.*