

TESTIMONY BEFORE THE GENERAL LAW COMMITTEE
Tuesday, March 6, 2012 - 11 a.m. LOB Room 2E

**S.B. 317-An Act Exempting Certain Distribution Warehouse Employees from
Professional Licensing Requirements**

Presented by: Mechanical Contractors Association of CT
UA Plumbers & Pipefitters Union, Local 777

This bill, as drafted, would exempt specific distribution warehouse employees from all occupational licensing requirements covered by C.G.S. Chapter 393 including licenses for plumbing and piping work; heating, piping, and cooling work; electrical work; elevator, solar, and sprinkler work, etc..

We do not believe that this exemption is the intent of the sponsor of this bill, however, if it is, we oppose the bill.

However, it appears that the bill's sponsor may possibly be looking for an exemption from the crane/hoisting operators licensing law for distribution warehouse employees, whose main duties are the operation of machinery used to hoist or convey products or materials on their premises of the premises of an affiliate of the distribution warehouse.

The crane/hoisting operators licensing laws are administered by the Department of Public Safety under C.G.S. Chapter 539, Sec. 29-221 – 29-225.

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