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**By: Senator Haines**

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services - Local Licensure of**  
3 **Individuals Licensed by the State Board**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring a political subdivision of the State that requires a local  
5 license to provide heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services to  
6 issue a local license to any individual licensed by the State Board of Heating,  
7 Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and Refrigeration Services on receipt from the  
8 individual of any application and fee required by the subdivision of the State;  
9 prohibiting a political subdivision of the State from requiring an examination of an  
10 applicant who is licensed by the Board; making stylistic changes; and generally  
11 relating to the local licensure of individuals who are licensed by the Board.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article - Business Regulation  
14 Section 9A-506  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (1992 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19 **Article - Business Regulation**

20 9A-506.

21 (a) Any subdivision of the State which required a local license to provide heating,  
22 ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services on or before January 1, 1990 may  
23 continue to require a local license for services performed within that subdivision.

24 (b) (1) [Any] A subdivision OF THE STATE which requires a local license  
25 [under this section] TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, OR  
26 REFRIGERATION SERVICES may not discriminate against applicants who are not  
27 residents of [that] THE subdivision.

28 (2) A SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE WHICH REQUIRES A LOCAL LICENSE  
29 TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, OR REFRIGERATION  
30 SERVICES SHALL ISSUE A LOCAL LICENSE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL LICENSED BY THE

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1 BOARD ON RECEIPT FROM THE INDIVIDUAL OF ANY APPLICATION AND FEE  
2 REQUIRED BY THE SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.

3 (3) A SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE MAY NOT REQUIRE AN APPLICANT  
4 FOR A LOCAL LICENSE TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING,  
5 OR REFRIGERATION SERVICES TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION IF THE APPLICANT IS  
6 LICENSED BY THE BOARD.

7 (c) In the event that any subdivision which requires a local license discontinues  
8 that requirement after the effective date of this Act, that subdivision may not thereafter  
9 adopt a license requirement.

10 (d) A State license is required to provide heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or  
11 refrigeration services anywhere within the State, whether or not the individual holds a  
12 local license.

13 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
14 July 1, 1997.