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By: **Delegate Poole**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Oil Heating Systems - Employees of Oil Companies - Licensing Exemption**

3 FOR the purpose of eliminating an exemption from licensing requirements and  
4 regulation under the Maryland Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, and  
5 Refrigeration Contractors Act for certain employees of home heating fuel  
6 suppliers performing certain work relating to oil burners.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Business Regulation  
9 Section 9A-103  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1992 Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

14 **Article - Business Regulation**

15 9A-103.

16 This title does not limit the right of:

17 (1) an individual owner of a single-family dwelling while that owner is  
18 practicing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services on or  
19 within a building or structure owned by the individual;

20 (2) an individual who is building a single-family dwelling in which that  
21 individual will reside while practicing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or  
22 refrigeration services on or within that dwelling;

23 (3) an employee of a public utility company regulated by the Public  
24 Service Commission, when engaged in:

25 (i) the development, construction, maintenance, or repair of  
26 electric or gas facilities located in the State; or

1 (ii) the construction, maintenance, or repair of electric or gas  
2 appliances in the service area of the public utility;

3 (4) subject to § 9A-403(a) of this title, an employee of the United States  
4 government, the State government, a local government, or an independent agency  
5 while that employee is practicing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or  
6 refrigeration services on or within buildings or structures owned or solely occupied by  
7 the United States government, the State government, a local government, or an  
8 independent agency;

9 (5) an individual employed in the installation, maintenance, alteration,  
10 repair, or replacement of self-contained heating, air-conditioning, refrigeration, or  
11 ventilation systems, or other appliances requiring not more than 225 volts or 25  
12 amperes of electrical current;

13 (6) an individual possessing a master electrician's license issued by the  
14 State or any county, when engaged in the installation, alteration, service, repair, or  
15 replacement of individually controlled electric resistance heat;

16 (7) an individual possessing a master plumber's license issued by the  
17 State, Baltimore County, or the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission when  
18 providing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services on hydronic  
19 heating systems;

20 (8) an individual possessing a license to practice engineering when  
21 providing heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services in  
22 connection with the practice of engineering; OR

23 (9) [an individual who installs, alters, remodels, maintains, or repairs  
24 oil burners exclusively while employed by a supplier of home heating fuel; or

25 (10)] an individual regularly employed by the owner of property, or the  
26 owner's agent, to engage in maintenance and repair work.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
28 October 1, 1998.