

SENATE BILL 691

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ENROLLED BILL

-- Economic and Environmental Affairs/Economic Matters --

Introduced by **Senator McCabe**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Plumbers - Backflow Certification**

3 FOR the purpose of specifying that a master plumber ~~or journey plumber,~~ journey
4 plumber, or apprentice holding a valid license is eligible to participate in a
5 certain cross connection/backflow prevention certification program; authorizing
6 certain plumbers and journey plumbers to certify the installation and testing of
7 certain devices; providing that local jurisdictions may adopt certain regulations
8 or enact certain laws that are comparable to or more stringent than a certain law;
9 and generally relating to the certification of plumbers to perform certain cross
10 connection/backflow prevention work.

11 BY adding to
12 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
13 Section 12-306(c)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

3 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

4 12-306.

5 (C) (1) ANY MASTER PLUMBER ~~OR JOURNEY PLUMBER~~, JOURNEY PLUMBER,
6 OR APPRENTICE HOLDING A VALID LICENSE IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A
7 BOARD-APPROVED CROSS CONNECTION/BACKFLOW PREVENTION CERTIFICATION
8 PROGRAM TO BE CERTIFIED AS AN APPROVED CROSS CONNECTION/BACKFLOW
9 PREVENTION TECHNICIAN.

10 (2) ~~ONLY AN INDIVIDUAL~~ A MASTER PLUMBER OR JOURNEY PLUMBER
11 POSSESSING CERTIFICATION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO CERTIFY THE
12 INSTALLATION AND TESTING OF MECHANICAL CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL
13 DEVICES.

14 (3) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CERTIFICATION OF THE INSTALLATION AND
15 TESTING OF MECHANICAL CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL DEVICES, A LOCAL
16 JURISDICTION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS OR ENACT LAWS THAT HAVE
17 QUALIFICATIONS COMPARABLE TO OR MORE STRINGENT THAN PARAGRAPH (2) OF
18 THIS SUBSECTION.

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