CHAPTER 422

(House Bill 664)

AN ACT concerning

Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission – Reciprocal Plumber/Gasfitter Licenses

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FOR the purpose of authorizing the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to issue a plumber/gasfitter license to a plumber/gasfitter who lives outside the sanitary district who holds a certain plumber/gasfitter license issued by the State Plumbing Board; and generally relating to the issuing of plumber/gasfitter licenses by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 29 – Washington Suburban Sanitary District Section 8–104 Annotated Code of Maryland (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District

8–104.

(a) Subject to § 12–305 of the Business Occupations and Professions Article, the WSSC has the sole power to grant licenses to persons desiring to work at the plumbing business in areas of Montgomery or Prince George's County that are under the jurisdiction of the WSSC. The fees to be charged for a license may not exceed the fees as fixed in the Maryland Plumbing Act. The WSSC shall exercise within areas under the jurisdiction of the WSSC all the authority and power conferred upon the State Board of Plumbing.

(b) Any person holding a valid master [plumber's] **PLUMBER/GASFITTER** license or a journeyman [plumber's] **PLUMBER/GASFITTER** license issued by the WSSC is entitled to be issued a master [plumber's] **PLUMBER/GASFITTER** license or a journeyman [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license, as applicable, by the State Board of Plumbing without examination, upon the presentation of a valid master [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license journeyman or а [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license, as applicable, and a notarized statement of good standing issued by the WSSC. Further, any [plumber residing in an area under the jurisdiction of the WSSC] PLUMBER/GASFITTER holding a valid master [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license or a [journey] JOURNEYMAN [plumber's] **PLUMBER/GASFITTER** license issued by the State Board of Plumbing is entitled to be issued a master [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license or a journeyman [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license, as applicable, by the WSSC, without examination, upon presentation of a valid master [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license or a [journey] JOURNEYMAN [plumber's] PLUMBER/GASFITTER license, as applicable, issued by the State Board of Plumbing.

(c) Any license issued to a master [plumber] **PLUMBER/GASFITTER** or a [plumber] **JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER/GASFITTER** in good standing pursuant to a reciprocity arrangement by the State Board of Plumbing and the WSSC prior to July 1, 1978 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, May 8, 2007.