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- BILL NO: S1577 (Substituted for A2742)
- **SPONSOR(S):** Cardinale and Allen
- **DATE INTRODUCED:** September 21, 2000
- COMMITTEE: ASSEMBLY: ----

SENATE: Commerce

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE: Yes

- DATE OF PASSAGE: ASSEMBLY: March 8, 2001
 - SENATE: February 15, 2001
- DATE OF APPROVAL: March 23, 2001

FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

FINAL TEXT OF BILL (1st reprint enacted)

(Amendments during passage denoted by superscript numbers)

S1577

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COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY:	No
	SENATE:	Yes
FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS	:	No
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:		No
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SPONSORS STATEMENT: (Begins on page 3 of original bill)		Yes

Bill and Sponsors Statement identical to S1577

COMMITTEE STATEMENT:	ASSEMBLY :	Yes	
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FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:		No	
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SENATE, No. 1577

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 21, 2000

Sponsored by: Senator GERALD CARDINALE District 39 (Bergen)

SYNOPSIS

Extends period within which to qualify to apply for license as master plumber under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



AN ACT concerning apprentice and journeymen plumbers and
 amending P.L.1968, c.362.

4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 15 of P.L.1968, c.362 (C.45:14C-15) is amended to8 read as follows:

9 15. Not less than 30 days and no more than 60 days prior to the 10 date set for the examination for a master plumber's State license, every 11 person, except as herein provided, desiring to apply for a State license, 12 who shall meet the qualifications as set forth herein, shall deliver to the 13 State board, personally or by certified mail, return receipt requested, 14 postage prepaid, a certified check or money order payable to the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey in the required amount as set 15 16 forth herein, together with such written application as shall be required 17 by the State board, completed as therein described, and together with 18 proof of qualifications as described hereunder.

19 The qualifications which shall be met and satisfied shall be as20 follows:

a. The person shall be 21 or more years of age and a citizen orlegal resident of the United States; and

23 b. (1) The person shall have been engaged or employed in the 24 plumbing trade for a period of five years preceding the date of his 25 application for a State license. One of the five years shall have been 26 spent while engaged or employed as a journeyman plumber. Four 27 years of the five years shall have been spent in a plumbing 28 apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States 29 Department of Labor, with proof of passage and successful completion 30 of this program while actively engaged or employed as a plumbing 31 apprentice. For a period of [four] seven years following the effective 32 date of P.L.1998, c.96, each year of employment in the plumbing trade 33 or enrollment in a formal plumbing apprenticeship program 34 [completed prior to the effective date of this amendatory and 35 supplementary act] shall be accepted by the State board in lieu of one 36 year's enrollment in a plumbing apprenticeship program accredited and 37 approved by the United States Department of Labor, up to a maximum 38 total credit of four years; or

39 (2) The person shall have been awarded a bachelor's degree in
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1 apprentice or journeyman plumber. 2 Proof of compliance with such qualifications or those in lieu thereof 3 shall be submitted to the State board in writing, sworn to by the 4 applicant, and such written proof shall be accompanied by two recent 5 photographs of the applicant. (cf: P.L.1998, c.96, s.1) 6 7 8 2. This act shall take effect immediately. 9 10 **STATEMENT** 11 12 13 This bill extends the period in which a journeymen or apprentice 14 plumber may qualify to apply for a master plumber's license without 15 having to participate in an accredited plumbing apprenticeship program. The bill extends the deadline, put in place by P.L. 1998, c. 16 17 96, by three years or until November 2, 2005, to enable all journeymen 18 and apprentice plumbers to learn of the law's requirements. Currently, the law requires the State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers to 19 20 accept a year of employment in a plumbing trade or enrollment in a 21 formal plumbing apprenticeship program in lieu of one year's 22 enrollment in a plumbing apprenticeship program accredited and 23 approved by the United States Department of Labor, up to a maximum 24 of four years, until November 2, 2002.

SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1577

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 19, 2000

The Senate Commerce Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 1577.

Currently, the State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers is required to accept a year of employment in a plumbing trade or enrollment in a formal plumbing apprenticeship program in lieu of one year's enrollment in a plumbing apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor, up to a maximum of four years, until November 2, 2002 if the requirement was completed prior to November 1, 1998. This bill, as amended, provides that those grandfather provisions would be applicable if the requirements are completed by November 2, 2002.

[First Reprint] SENATE, No. 1577 STATE OF NEW JERSEY

209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 21, 2000

Sponsored by: Senator GERALD CARDINALE District 39 (Bergen) Senator DIANE ALLEN District 7 (Burlington and Camden)

Co-Sponsored by: Assemblymen Moran, Impreveduto and Assemblywoman Greenstein

SYNOPSIS

Adjusts grandfather qualifications to apply for license as master plumber under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Commerce Committee on October 19, 2000, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 3/9/2001)

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Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SCM committee amendments adopted October 19, 2000.

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- 6 applicant, and such written proof shall be accompanied by two recent
- 7 photographs of the applicant.
- 8 (cf: P.L.1998, c.96, s.1)
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10 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

ASSEMBLY, No. 2742 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

Sponsored by: Assemblyman JEFFREY W. MORAN District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean) Assemblyman ANTHONY IMPREVEDUTO District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

SYNOPSIS

Extends period within which to qualify to apply for license as master plumber under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT As introduced.



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ASSEMBLY CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2742

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 9, 2000

The Assembly Consumer Affairs and Regulated Professions Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Assembly Bill No. 2742.

Currently, the State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers is required to accept a year of employment in a plumbing trade or enrollment in a formal plumbing apprenticeship program in lieu of one year's enrollment in a plumbing apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor, up to a maximum of four years, until November 2, 2002 if the requirement was completed prior to November 1, 1998. This bill, as amended, provides that those grandfather provisions would be applicable if the requirements are completed by November 2, 2002.

As amended, this bill is identical to Senate Bill No.1577 (1R).

[First Reprint] ASSEMBLY, No. 2742 STATE OF NEW JERSEY 209th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED SEPTEMBER 25, 2000

Sponsored by: Assemblyman JEFFREY W. MORAN District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean) Assemblyman ANTHONY IMPREVEDUTO District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Co-Sponsored by: Assemblywoman Greenstein

SYNOPSIS

Adjusts grandfather qualifications to apply for license as master plumber under certain circumstances.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Consumer Affairs and Regulated Professions Committee on November 9, 2000, with amendments.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/23/2001)

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- 7 photographs of the applicant.
- 8 (cf: P.L.1998, c.96, s.1)
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10 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

P.L. 2001, CHAPTER 37, *approved March 23, 2001* Senate, No. 1577 (*First Reprint*)

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CHAPTER 37

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1. Section 15 of P.L.1968, c.362 (C.45:14C-15) is amended to read as follows:

C.45:14C-15 Qualifications.

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(2) The person shall have been awarded a bachelor's degree in mechanical, plumbing or sanitary engineering from an accredited college or university in the United States which the board finds acceptable and in addition shall have been engaged or employed in the practical work of installing plumbing systems for one year as an apprentice or journeyman plumber.

Proof of compliance with such qualifications or those in lieu thereof shall be submitted to the State board in writing, sworn to by the applicant, and such written proof shall be accompanied by two recent photographs of the applicant.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

Approved March 23, 2001.

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RELEASE: March 23, 2001

DIFRANCESCO SIGNS LEGISLATION INCREASING JURY DUTY COMPENSATION

Acting Governor Donald T. DiFrancesco today signed the following legislation into law:

A-601 sponsored by Assemblymembers Joan Quigley (D-Bergen/Hudson), Richard Bagger (R-Middlesex/Morris/Somerset/Union), Anthony Impreveduto (D-Bergen/Hudson), John Gibson (R-Cape May/Atlantic/Cumberland), Kenneth LeFevre (R-Atlantic) and Nia Gill (D-Essex), increases compensation for jurors from \$5 per day to \$40 for each consecutive day of jury service in excess of three days.

"This increase for jurors is long overdue. I fully support fair compensation for the New Jersey citizens fulfilling their jury duty obligation - a key component of our justice system," remarked DiFrancesco.

Jurors already compensated from their employers for jury service are exempt.

A-2517, sponsored by Assemblymen Leonard Lance (R-Warren/Hunterdon/Mercer) and Michael Arnone (R-Monmouth) and co-sponsored by Assemblymembers Ken LeFevre (R-Atlantic) and Mary Previte (D-Camden), allows problem gamblers to request placement on the Casino Control Commission's (CCC) list of individuals to be excluded and ejected from any licensed casino or simulcasting facility.

In addition to helping problem gamblers to help themselves, the bill requires the CCC to circulate regulations compelling casinos to establish internal controls for removing voluntarily excluded individuals from mailing lists and for denying access to check-cashing privileges, special club programs and the issuance of credit.

A licensed casino shall not be liable in a court proceeding for any harm, monetary or otherwise, that might arise from the failure of the casino to withhold or restore gambling privileges to a self-excluded person.

S-82, sponsored by Raymond Zane (D-Salem/Cumberland/Gloucester), allows duplicate personalized license plates on both owned and leased vehicles.

This bill permits the lessee or owner of a motor vehicle who obtains personalized license plates to obtain a second set of those plates for use on additional vehicles he or she owns or leases. In the past, personalized plates could not be put on leased vehicles.

Office of the Governor **NEWS RELEASE**

S-1577, sponsored by Senator Gerald Cardinale (R-Bergen) extends a grandfather clause to November 1, 2002 to allow applicants for a master plumber's license to use employment or schooling to satisfy certain newly enacted eligibility requirements.

The State Plumbing License Law was amended in 1998 to require applicants for the master plumbing license examination to complete a four-year apprentice program approved by the Department of Labor (DOL). This legislation extends a prior grandfather clause by four years to allow employment or schooling in a program not approved by DOL to be substituted for a year of the approved apprenticeship program if performed prior to November 1, 2002.

S-463, sponsored by Senator Robert Singer (R-Burlington/Monmouth/Ocean), prohibits the use of certain materials to mark property boundaries unless it is clearly visible.

It was introduced in response to a tragic accident in which an all-terrain vehicle operator was killed as a result of driving into a non-visible cable being used as a fence in a wooded area

This legislation makes it a fourth-degree criminal offense to use wire, cable, or other similar devices as fencing material installed at a height under 10 feet, if it is not readily visible to pedestrians, equestrians, bicyclists or off-road vehicle operators, and poses a risk of causing significant bodily injury.