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"Apprentice and journeyman plumbers"

**BILL NO:** A1742 (Substituted for S749)

**SPONSOR(S):**Holzapfel and Moran

**DATE INTRODUCED:** February 23, 1998

**COMMITTEE:**

***ASSEMBLY:*** Consumer Affairs and Regulated Professions

***SENATE:*** ~~~~

**AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:**No

**DATE OF PASSAGE:**

***ASSEMBLY:*** June 25, 1998

***SENATE:*** June 29, 1998

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### **THE FOLLOWING ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:**

**FINAL TEXT OF BILL:** Original

**A1742**

**SPONSORS STATEMENT:** *Yes* (Begins on page 3 of original bill)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**

**ASSEMBLY:***Yes*

**SENATE:** *No*

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** *No*

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** *No*

**S749**

**SPONSORS STATEMENT:** *Yes* (Begins on page 3 of original bill)

(Bill and Sponsors Statement identical to A1742)

**COMMITTEE STATEMENT:**

**ASSEMBLY:** *No*

**SENATE:** *Yes* (Identical to Assembly Statement for A1742)

**FLOOR AMENDMENT STATEMENTS:** *No*

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE:** *No*

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# ASSEMBLY, No. 1742

## STATE OF NEW JERSEY 208th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 23, 1998

**Sponsored by:**

**Assemblyman JAMES W. HOLZAPFEL**

**District 10 (Monmouth and Ocean)**

**Assemblyman JEFFREY W. MORAN**

**District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean)**

**Co-Sponsored by:**

**Senator Cardinale**

**SYNOPSIS**

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As introduced.



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ASSEMBLY CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND REGULATED  
PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 1742**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: MAY 7, 1998

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**SENATE, No. 749**

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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**208th LEGISLATURE**

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INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 26, 1998

**Sponsored by:**  
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# SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

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# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 14, 1998

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