

March 12, 2001

S 395. PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS. TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS UNDER THE LAWS REGULATING PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS TO INCREASE FEES. Rewrites GS 87-18 to give the Board of Examiners of Plumbing, Heating, and Fire Sprinkler Contractors power to acquire, hold, rent, encumber, alienate, and otherwise deal with real property, subject to approval of the Governor and Council of State, and to limit collateral pledged by the Board for an encumbrance to assets, income, and revenues of the Board. Rewrites GS 87-21 to (1) amend the definitions of "heating, group number two" and "heating, group number three" and to specify that systems installed in single-family residences are included under heating, group number three, regardless of size; (2) authorize the Board to require an applicant, before taking the licensing examination, to establish that he or she is at least 18, has not been convicted of any misdemeanors or felonies involving moral turpitude, and is of good moral character; (3) provide that examinations must be given at least twice each year; (4) authorize the Board to offer written examinations or administer examinations by computer within 30 days after approving an application, and to require applicants who fail the examination three times to receive additional education before retaking the examination; and (5) delete provisions for special, oral examinations. Rewrites GS 87-22 and GS 87-22.1 to increase the maximum application fee and annual license fee to \$150.00 and to require the Board to increase the fee by \$25.00 to cover any additional expense associated with late renewal. Provides that until fees are changed by permanent rule, the application fee shall be \$80.00 and the annual license fee shall be \$100.00. Also makes technical changes.

Intro. by Miller.

Ref. to Commerce	GS 87
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May 22, 2001

S 395. PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS. Intro. 3/12/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes it clear that all real estate transactions conducted by State Board of Examiners of Plumbing, Heating, and Fire Sprinkler Contractors must be approved by Governor and the Council of State, and that holders of a heating, group three license, who have installed systems classified by this bill as heating, group two systems, can continue to service, repair, or alter those systems until June 30, 2004.

June 18, 2001

S 395. PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS. Intro. 3/12/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition: (1) clarifies, in defining "heating, group number three," that a heating system requiring air distribution ducts and supplied by ground water or utilizing a coil supplied by water from a domestic hot water heater not exceeding 150 degrees Fahrenheit requires either a plumbing or heating group number one license to extend piping from valved connections in the domestic hot water system to the heating coil, and (2) makes various editorial and technical changes.

July 9, 2001

SL 2001-270 (S 395). PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS. AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS UNDER THE LAWS REGULATING PLUMBING AND HEATING CONTRACTORS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF PLUMBING, HEATING, AND FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTORS TO INCREASE FEES. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/12/01, 5/22/01, and 6/18/01. Enacted July 6, 2001. Effective July 6, 2001.