

As Amended by House Committee

Session of 2003

HOUSE BILL No. 2359

By Representative Landwehr

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10 AN ACT concerning cities and municipalities; relating to licensure of  
11 certain contractors; amending K.S.A. 12-1509 and 12-1542 and re-  
12 pealing the existing sections.

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14 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

15 Section 1. K.S.A. 12-1509 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-  
16 1509. (a) Any county or city requiring the licensure of plumbers practicing  
17 within the county or city may conduct examinations designated by K.S.A.  
18 12-1508, and amendments thereto, for the purpose of determining the  
19 competency of applicants for such licensure and shall not be allowed to  
20 ask further questions not designated on such examination. The board of  
21 county commissioners of such county or the governing body of such city  
22 shall adopt rules and regulations: (1) Governing the conduct and grading  
23 of such examinations; (2) prescribing a minimum score of 75% for passage  
24 of examinations; ~~and~~ (3) fixing a uniform fee to be charged all applicants  
25 taking each such examination; *and (4) requiring all persons receiving such*  
26 *certificate or license annually to obtain not less than six hours of contin-*  
27 *uing education approved by such local governing body or a nationally*  
28 *recognized trade association.*

29 (b) The certificate of competency received by any person who suc-  
30 cessfully passes an examination designated by K.S.A. 12-1508, and  
31 amendments thereto, shall be valid proof of competency for licensure,  
32 without additional examination, in any county or city of the state which  
33 requires licensure of plumbers practicing within such county or city. The  
34 county or city shall issue the appropriate license to any applicant therefor  
35 who presents such a certificate of competency. The county or city shall  
36 fix a uniform fee to be charged all such applicants for licensure.

37 (c) All licenses issued by a county or city upon the basis of successful  
38 passage of an examination designated by K.S.A. 12-1508, and amend-  
39 ments thereto, shall bear a distinctive notation of such fact. All such li-  
40 censes shall be valid in any other county or city which requires exami-  
41 nation and licensure of plumbers for practice in such county or city.

42 (d) No person who was certified or licensed prior to July 1, 1989,  
43 upon the basis of passage of a standard examination designated as such

1 under the provisions of article 15 of chapter 12 of Kansas Statutes An-  
2 notated, and whose certificate or license was issued by a political subdivi-  
3 sion which prescribed a minimum score of not less than 70% for passage  
4 of such examination, shall be required to be reexamined for renewal of  
5 certification or licensure.

6 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 12-1542 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-  
7 1542. (a) Any county or city requiring the licensure of mechanical heating,  
8 ventilation and air conditioning contractors and master and journeyman  
9 heating, ventilation and air conditioning mechanics practicing within the  
10 county or city may conduct examinations designated by K.S.A. 12-1541  
11 for the purpose of determining the competency of applicants for such  
12 licensure and shall not be allowed to ask further questions not designated  
13 on such examination. The board of county commissioners of such county  
14 or the governing body of such city shall adopt rules and regulations: (1)  
15 Governing the conduct and grading of such examinations; (2) prescribing  
16 a minimum score of 75% for passage of examinations; ~~and~~ (3) fixing a  
17 uniform fee to be charged all applicants taking each such examination;  
18 *and (4) requiring all persons receiving such certificate or license annually*  
19 *to obtain **not less than** six hours of continuing education approved by*  
20 *such local governing body or a nationally recognized trade association.*

21 (b) The certificate of competency received by any person who suc-  
22 cessfully passes an examination designated by K.S.A. 12-1541 shall be  
23 valid proof of competency for licensure, without additional examination,  
24 in any county or city of the state which requires licensure of mechanical  
25 heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractors and master and jour-  
26 neyman heating, ventilation and air conditioning mechanics practicing  
27 within such county or city. The county or city shall issue the appropriate  
28 license to any applicant therefor who presents such a certificate of com-  
29 petency. The county or city shall fix a uniform fee to be charged all such  
30 applicants for licensure.

31 (c) All licenses issued by a county or city upon the basis of successful  
32 passage of an examination designated by K.S.A. 12-1541 shall bear a dis-  
33 tinctive notation of such fact. All such licenses shall be valid in any other  
34 county or city which requires examination and licensure of mechanical  
35 heating, ventilation and air conditioning contractors and master and jour-  
36 neyman heating, ventilation and air conditioning mechanics for practice  
37 in such county or city.

38 (d) No person who was certified or licensed prior to July 1, 1989,  
39 upon the basis of passage of a standard examination designated by the  
40 political subdivision and whose certificate or license was issued by such  
41 political subdivision which prescribed a minimum score of not less than  
42 70% for passage of such examination, shall be required to be reexamined  
43 for renewal of certification or licensure.

- 1     Sec. 3. K.S.A. 12-1509 and 12-1542 are hereby repealed.
- 2     Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
- 3     publication in the statute book.