

## **Boiler Safety Act and EMS—Instructor Coordinator; HB 2014**

**HB 2014** amends law related to the Boiler Safety Act to remove statutory qualifications of the Chief Inspector of Boiler Safety and deputy inspectors and removes references in emergency medical services (EMS) law to persons holding the instructor-coordinator designation.

### ***Boiler Safety Act***

The bill removes the following statutory qualifications for the Chief Inspector of Boiler Safety, which required a chief inspector to have:

- No less than five years of experience in the construction, installation, repair, operation, or inspection of boilers, steam generators, super-heaters, or pressure vessels;
- An in-service commission; and
- The following endorsements issued by the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors (NBBI):
  - An “A” endorsement; and
  - A “B” endorsement, or the ability to acquire such endorsement within 18 months after appointment as chief inspector.

The bill also removes the following statutory qualifications for deputy inspectors, which required a deputy inspector to have:

- Completed courses and training, and have experience in the construction, installation, repair, operation, or inspection of boilers or pressure vessels, with at least two years of time spent in the aggregate on education, training, and experience; or
- Have at least five years’ experience in the heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or plumbing fields related to the installation or repair of boilers or pressure vessels; and
- Hold an in-service commission issued by the NBBI, or the ability to acquire such commission within 12 months after appointment as deputy inspector.

### ***EMS—Instructor Coordinator***

The bill removes the definition of the term “instructor-coordinator” and removes provisions concerning civil damages related to an instructor-coordinator’s course of instruction.

The bill also amends the definition of “healthcare provider” to replace a reference to first aid courses taught by an instructor-coordinator with first aid courses taught by the Board of Emergency Medical Services (BEMS). The bill also clarifies language in the definition to include licensed physician assistants and removes outdated language related to required training and specified examinations.

The bill amends the statutory membership of the BEMS to replace an instructor-coordinator member with a member who is actively involved in teaching initial courses of instruction for certification as an EMS provider.