

HB0484



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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 317/15

Amends the Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act. Replaces the license exemption for a person or business that is engaged in the installation of fire sprinkler systems from only in single family or multiple family residential dwellings up to and including 8 family units that do not exceed 2.5 stories in height from the lowest grade level with a license exemption for a person or business that is engaged in the installation of single sprinkler heads that are installed in single family residential furnace rooms. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act is
5 amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 317/15)

7 Sec. 15. Licensing requirements.

8 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person or business to
9 engage in, advertise, or hold itself out to be in the business
10 of installing or repairing fire sprinkler systems in this State
11 after 6 months after the effective date of this Act, unless
12 such person or business is licensed by the State Fire Marshal.
13 This license must be renewed every year.

14 (b) In order to obtain a license, a person or business must
15 submit an application to the State Fire Marshal, on a form
16 provided by the State Fire Marshal containing the information
17 prescribed, along with the application fee.

18 (c) A business applying for a license must have a
19 designated certified person employed at the business location
20 and the designated certified person shall be identified on the
21 license application.

22 (d) A person or business applying for a license must show
23 proof of having liability and property damage insurance in such

1 amounts and under such circumstances as may be determined by
2 the State Fire Marshal. The amount of liability and property
3 damage insurance, however, shall not be less than the amount
4 specified in Section 35 of this Act.

5 (e) A person or business applying for a license must show
6 proof of having workers' compensation insurance covering its
7 employees or be approved as a self-insurer of workers'
8 compensation in accordance with the laws of this State.

9 (f) A person or business so licensed shall have a separate
10 license for each business location within the State or outside
11 the State when the business location is responsible for any
12 installation or repair of fire sprinkler systems performed
13 within the State.

14 (g) When an individual proposes to do business in her or
15 his own name, a license, when granted, shall be issued only to
16 that individual.

17 (h) If the applicant requesting licensure to engage in
18 contracting is a business organization, such as a partnership,
19 corporation, business trust, or other legal entity, the
20 application shall state the name of the partnership and its
21 partners, the name of the corporation and its officers and
22 directors, the name of the business trust and its trustees, or
23 the name of such other legal entity and its members and shall
24 furnish evidence of statutory compliance if a fictitious name
25 is used. Such application shall also show that the business
26 entity employs a designated certified person as required under

1 Section 20. The license, when issued upon application of a
2 business organization, shall be in the name of the business
3 organization and the name of the qualifying designated
4 certified person shall be noted thereon.

5 (i) No license is required for a person or business that is
6 engaged in the installation of single sprinkler heads that are
7 installed in single family residential furnace rooms ~~No license~~
8 ~~is required for a person or business that is engaged in the~~
9 ~~installation of fire sprinkler systems only in single family or~~
10 ~~multiple family residential dwellings up to and including 8~~
11 ~~family units that do not exceed 2 1/2 stories in height from~~
12 ~~the lowest grade level.~~

13 (j) All fire protection system layout documents of fire
14 sprinkler systems, as defined in Section 10 of this Act, shall
15 be prepared by (i) a professional engineer who is licensed
16 under the Professional Engineering Practice Act of 1989, (ii)
17 an architect who is licensed under the Illinois Architecture
18 Practice Act of 1989, or (iii) a holder of a valid NICET level
19 3 or 4 certification in fire protection technology automatic
20 sprinkler system layout who is either licensed under this Act
21 or employed by an organization licensed under this Act.

22 (Source: P.A. 94-367, eff. 1-1-06.)