

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1690

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1690 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Regulatory Sunset Act is amended by
5 adding Section 4.23 as follows:

6 (5 ILCS 80/4.23 new)

7 Sec. 4.23. Section repealed on January 1, 2013. The
8 following Section is repealed on January 1, 2013:

9 Section 2.5 of the Illinois Plumbing License Law.

10 Section 10. The Illinois Plumbing License Law is
11 amended by changing Section 2.5 as follows:

12 (225 ILCS 320/2.5)

13 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2003)

14 Sec. 2.5. Irrigation contractors; lawn sprinkler
15 systems.

16 (a) Every irrigation contractor doing business in this
17 State shall annually register with the Department. Every
18 irrigation contractor shall provide to the Department his or
19 her business name and address, telephone number, name of
20 principal, and FEIN number. Every irrigation contractor doing

1 business in this State shall also register with the
2 Department each and every employee who installs or supervises
3 the installation of lawn sprinkler systems. The registration
4 shall include the employee's name, home address, and
5 telephone number. The Department may provide by rule for the
6 administration of registrations under this subsection. The
7 annual registration fee shall be set by the Department
8 pursuant to Section 30 of this Act.

9 (b) A licensed plumber or licensed apprentice plumber
10 may install a lawn sprinkler system connected to any water
11 source without registration under this Section.

12 (c) A licensed plumber shall inspect every sprinkler
13 system installed by an irrigation contractor to ensure the
14 provisions of this Section have been met and that the system
15 works mechanically. A licensed plumber shall make the
16 physical connection between a lawn sprinkler system and the
17 backflow prevention device.

18 Upon the installation of every lawn sprinkler system in
19 this State from the effective date of this amendatory Act of
20 the 91st General Assembly forward, a licensed plumber shall
21 affix to the backflow prevention device a tag certifying that
22 the installation of that system has been completed in
23 compliance with the minimum code of plumbing standards
24 promulgated under this Act. The Department shall provide by
25 rule for the registration of every lawn sprinkler system
26 installed after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
27 the 91st General Assembly, including the means by which the
28 Department shall be able to identify by registration number
29 the identity of the responsible irrigation contractor and by
30 license number the identity of the responsible licensed
31 plumber. No lawn sprinkler system installed after the
32 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General
33 Assembly may be operated without the certification tag
34 required under this Section.

1 The registered irrigation contractor and the licensed
2 plumber whose identifying information is contained on the
3 certification tag shall both be subject to the penalty
4 provisions of this Act for violations for improper
5 installation of a lawn sprinkler system installed after the
6 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General
7 Assembly.

8 (d) An irrigation contractor that has registered with
9 the Department 7 or fewer persons who are authorized to
10 install or supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler
11 systems shall either employ or contract with at least one
12 licensed plumber who shall install or be responsible for the
13 installation of every lawn sprinkler system installed after
14 the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General
15 Assembly. The licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and
16 sprinkler heads before backfilling.

17 An irrigation contractor that has registered with the
18 Department 8 to 12 persons who are authorized to install or
19 supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems shall
20 either employ or contract with at least 2 licensed plumbers
21 who shall install or be responsible for the installation of
22 every lawn sprinkler system installed after the effective
23 date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly. A
24 licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and sprinkler heads
25 before backfilling.

26 An irrigation contractor that has registered with the
27 Department 13 to 20 persons who are authorized to install or
28 supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems shall
29 either employ or contract with at least 3 licensed plumbers
30 who shall install or be responsible for the installation of
31 every lawn sprinkler system installed after the effective
32 date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly. A
33 licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and sprinkler heads
34 before backfilling.

1 An irrigation contractor that has registered with the
2 Department 21 to 28 persons who are authorized to install or
3 supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems shall
4 either employ or contract with at least 4 licensed plumbers
5 who shall install or be responsible for the installation of
6 every lawn sprinkler system installed after the effective
7 date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly. A
8 licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and sprinkler heads
9 before backfilling.

10 An irrigation contractor that has registered with the
11 Department 29 to 35 persons who are authorized to install or
12 supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems shall
13 either employ or contract with at least 5 licensed plumbers
14 who shall install or be responsible for the installation of
15 every lawn sprinkler system installed after the effective
16 date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly. A
17 licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and sprinkler heads
18 before backfilling.

19 An irrigation contractor that has registered with the
20 Department 36 or more persons who are authorized to install
21 or supervise the installation of lawn sprinkler systems shall
22 either employ or contract with at least 6 licensed plumbers
23 who shall install or be responsible for the installation of
24 every lawn sprinkler system installed after the effective
25 date of this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly. A
26 licensed plumber shall inspect the risers and sprinkler heads
27 before backfilling.

28 The Department may provide by rule for the temporary
29 waiver process for registered irrigation contractors who are
30 unable to comply with the requirements of this subsection.
31 When a temporary waiver is granted, it shall not be for a
32 duration of more than 3 consecutive months. Upon the
33 expiration of a temporary waiver issued by the Department,
34 the registered irrigation contractor shall demonstrate that

1 justifiable reasons exist why he or she is still unable to
2 comply with the requirements of this subsection, despite good
3 faith efforts to comply with the requirements. In no case
4 shall a temporary waiver be granted for an irrigation
5 contractor for more than a total of 6 months in a two-year
6 period. In no case shall an irrigation contractor be relieved
7 of the requirement that a licensed plumber shall inspect
8 every sprinkler system installed by an irrigation contractor
9 to ensure the provisions of this Section have been met and
10 that the system works mechanically and make the physical
11 connection between a sprinkler system and the backflow
12 prevention device.

13 (e) No person shall attach to a lawn sprinkler system
14 any fixture intended to supply water for human consumption.

15 No person shall attach to a lawn sprinkler system any
16 fixture other than the backflow prevention device, sprinkler
17 heads, valves, and other parts integral to the operation of
18 the system, unless the fixture is clearly marked as being for
19 non-potable uses only.

20 ~~{f}--This-Section-is-repealed-January-1,--2003,--and--all~~
21 ~~registrations-under-this-Section-terminate-on-that-date.~~

22 (Source: P.A. 91-678, eff. 1-26-00.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law."