



## 104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2025 and 2026

SB2303

Introduced 2/7/2025, by Sen. Michael E. Hastings

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

225 ILCS 317/62

Amends the Fire Sprinkler Contractor Licensing Act. Provides that any person, entity, or business that offers fire sprinkler contractor services under the Act without being licensed or exempt under the Act shall pay a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 (rather than \$10,000) for each offense. Provides that, if any person, entity, or business commits a second offense within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no less than \$10,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention Fund. Provides that, if any person, entity, or business commits more than 2 offenses within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no less than \$25,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention Fund. Provides that any person who practices, offers to practice, attempts to practice, or holds himself or herself out to practice as a fire sprinkler inspector without being licensed or exempt under the Act shall pay a civil penalty not to exceed \$50,000 (rather than \$10,000) for each offense. Provides that, if any person commits a second offense within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no less than \$10,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention Fund. Provides that, if any person commits more than 2 offenses within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no less than \$25,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention Fund. Effective immediately.

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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 62 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 317/62)

7 Sec. 62. Unlicensed practice; violation; civil penalty.

8 (a) Any person, entity, or business that offers fire  
9 sprinkler contractor services under this Act without being  
10 licensed or exempt under this Act shall, in addition to any  
11 other penalty provided by law, pay a civil penalty, which  
12 shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention Fund, in an amount  
13 not to exceed \$50,000~~\$10,000~~ for each offense, as determined  
14 by the Office. If any person, entity, or business commits a  
15 second offense within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no  
16 less than \$10,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire  
17 Prevention Fund. If any person, entity, or business commits  
18 more than 2 offenses within 24 months, the civil penalty shall  
19 be no less than \$25,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire  
20 Prevention Fund. The civil penalty shall be assessed by the  
21 Office after a hearing is held in accordance with the  
22 provisions of this Act regarding the provision of a hearing  
23 for the discipline of a licensee.

1 (b) Use of the title "fire sprinkler inspector" is limited  
2 to those individuals licensed under this Act. Any person who  
3 practices, offers to practice, attempts to practice, or holds  
4 himself or herself out to practice as a fire sprinkler  
5 inspector without being licensed or exempt under this Act  
6 shall, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, pay a  
7 civil penalty, which shall be deposited into the Fire  
8 Prevention Fund, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 ~~\$10,000~~  
9 for each offense, as determined by the Office. If any person  
10 commits a second offense within 24 months, the civil penalty  
11 shall be no less than \$10,000 which shall be deposited into the  
12 Fire Prevention Fund. If any person commits more than 2  
13 offenses within 24 months, the civil penalty shall be no less  
14 than \$25,000 which shall be deposited into the Fire Prevention  
15 Fund. The civil penalty shall be assessed by the Office after a  
16 hearing is held in accordance with the provisions of this Act  
17 regarding the provision of a hearing for the discipline of a  
18 licensee.

19 (c) The Office may investigate any actual, alleged, or  
20 suspected unlicensed activity.

21 (d) The civil penalty shall be paid within 60 days after  
22 the effective date of the order imposing the civil penalty.  
23 The order shall constitute a final judgment and may be filed  
24 and execution had thereon in the same manner as any judgment  
25 from any court of record.

26 (Source: P.A. 102-612, eff. 8-27-21.)

1           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
2           becoming law.