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AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 932

2 AMENDMENT NO. ____. Amend Senate Bill 932 by replacing 3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Plumbing License Law is amended
5 by changing Sections 13.1, 18, 37, and 42 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 320/13.1)

7 Sec. 13.1. Plumbing contractors; registration;8 applications.

9 (1) On and after May 1, 2002, all persons or 10 corporations desiring to engage in the business of plumbing contractor, other than any entity that maintains an audited 11 net worth of shareholders' equity equal to or exceeding 12 \$100,000,000, shall register in accordance with 13 the 14 provisions of this Act.

15 (2) Application for registration shall be filed with the 16 Department each year, on or before the last day of <u>September</u> 17 April, in writing and on forms prepared and furnished by the 18 Department. All plumbing contractor registrations expire on 19 the last day of <u>September</u> April of each year.

(3) Applications shall contain the name, address, and
telephone number of the person and the plumbing license of
(i) the individual, if a sole proprietorship; (ii) the

partner, if a partnership; or (iii) an officer, if a corporation. The application shall contain the business name, address, and telephone number, a current copy of the plumbing license, and any other information the Department may require by rule.

(4) Applicants shall submit an original certificate of 6 7 insurance documenting that the contractor carries general 8 liability insurance with a minimum of \$100,000 per 9 bodily--injury--insurance--with a minimum of occurrence, 10 \$300,000 aggregate for bodily injury per-occurrence, property 11 damage insurance with a minimum of \$50,000 or a minimum of \$300,000 combined single limit, and workers compensation 12 insurance with a minimum \$500,000 employer's liability. 13 No issued in the absence of this 14 registration may be certificate. Certificates must be in force at all times 15 for 16 registration to remain valid.

17 (5) Applicants shall submit, on a form provided by the 18 Department, an indemnification bond in the amount of \$20,000 19 or a letter of credit in the same amount for work performed 20 in accordance with this Act and the rules promulgated under 21 this Act.

(6) All employees of a registered plumbing contractor
who engage in plumbing work shall be licensed plumbers or
apprentice plumbers in accordance with this Act.

25 (7) Plumbing contractors shall submit an annual26 registration fee in an amount to be established by rule.

The Department shall be notified in advance of any 27 (8) in the business structure, name, or location or of 28 changes 29 the addition or deletion of the owner or officer who is the 30 licensed plumber listed on the application. Failure to notify the Department of this information is grounds for 31 32 suspension or revocation of the plumbing contractor's 33 registration.

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(9) In the event that the plumber's license on the

application for registration of a plumbing contractor is a license issued by the City of Chicago, it shall be the responsibility of the applicant to forward a copy of the plumber's license to the Department, noting the name of the registered plumbing contractor, when it is renewed.

6 (Source: P.A. 92-338, eff. 8-10-01.)

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(225 ILCS 320/18) (from Ch. 111, par. 1117)

Sec. 18. Local regulation; Department standards.

It is hereby declared to be the policy of this State 9 (1)10 that each city, town, village, township or county with a 11 water supply system or sewage disposal system or both should so soon after the enactment of this Act as practicable, with 12 the advice of the State Department of Public Health, provide 13 14 by ordinance, bylaws or rules and regulations for the 15 materials, construction, alteration, and inspection of all plumbing placed in or in connection with any building in any 16 17 such city, town, village, township, or county and to provide 18 for and appoint a competent Plumbing Inspector or more as required. The Department may by rule establish voluntary 19 standards for the content and conduct of local plumbing 20 21 regulation and inspection programs and may evaluate and 22 certify local programs that are in compliance with the voluntary standards. The Department may by rule establish 23 24 voluntary education, training, and experience standards for Plumbing Inspectors and may certify Plumbing Inspectors who 25 26 are in compliance with the voluntary standards. Nothing 27 contained in this Act shall prohibit any city, town, village, 28 township or county from providing for a Plumbing Inspector or 29 from requiring permits for the installation and repair of plumbing and collecting a fee therefor, but a city, town, 30 31 village, township, or county that requires a permit for installation and repair of plumbing may not issue that permit 32 33 without verification that the applicant has a valid plumbing

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license or that the applicant is the owner occupant of a single family residence that is the subject of the permit.
For the purpose of this Section, the term "occupant" has the same meaning as in subsection (2) of Section 3 of this Act.
No person shall be appointed as a Plumbing Inspector who is not a licensed plumber under this Act, including persons employed as Plumbing Inspectors in home rule units.

8 (2) The Department of Public Health shall conduct 9 inquiry in any city, town, village, township, or county or at any other place in the State when reasonably necessary in the 10 11 judgment of the Director of the Department of Public Health to safeguard the health of any person or persons in this 12 State, on account of piping or appurtenant appliances within 13 any building, or outside, when such piping and appliances are 14 for the use of plumbing as defined in this Act and for the 15 16 use of carrying sewage or waste within or from any building.

The Department of Public Health may conduct 17 such 18 inquiries in any city, town, village, township or county in 19 this State by directing the Plumbing Inspector thereof to aid in or conduct such inquiry or investigation in behalf of the 20 21 Department of Public Health or the Department of Public Health may designate some other person or persons to conduct 22 23 such investigation.

24 (Source: P.A. 90-714, eff. 8-7-98.)

25 (225 ILCS 320/37) (from Ch. 111, par. 1135)

26 Sec. 37. Each governmental unit which is authorized to adopt and has adopted any ordinance or resolution regulating 27 plumbing may provide for its administration and enforcement 28 29 by requiring permits for any plumbing system installation, the inspection of plumbing system installations by inspectors 30 31 who are licensed as plumbers in accordance with the Illinois Plumbing License Law, and the issue of certificates of 32 33 approval or compliance which shall be evidence that a

plumbing system has been installed in compliance with the
 Code of standards so adopted.

In any municipality in a county with a population over 3 4 500,000, a letter of intent shall be included with all plumbing permit applications. The letter shall be written on 5 6 the licensed plumber of record's personal stationary and shall include the license holder's signature and corporate 7 8 seal. A home rule unit in a county with a population over 9 500,000 may not regulate the information required to be included with an application for a plumbing permit in a 10 11 manner less restrictive than this Section. This Section is a 12 limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII 13 of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised by the 14 15 <u>State.</u>

A governmental unit authorized to adopt regulations may, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe reasonable fees for the issue of permits for installation work, the issue of certificates of compliance or approval, and for the inspection of plumbing installations.

21 (Source: P.A. 79-1000.)

22 (225 ILCS 320/42)

Sec. 42. Home rule. Pursuant to paragraph (h) of Section 23 24 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 the power to regulate the licensing of plumbers, to promulgate 25 the-promulgation-of a minimum plumbing code of standards, and 26 the---power to regulate the registration of irrigation 27 28 contractors and plumbing contractors shall, except as may 29 otherwise be provided within and pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 and Section 16.1 of this Act, be exercised by 30 31 the State and may not be exercised by any unit of local government, including home rule units. 32

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

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