

Amend CSSB 1354 (Senate committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_. Section 1301.354, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (b-1) to read as follows:

(b-1) At the applicant's request, the board may credit an applicant under Subsection (b) with a number of hours determined by board rule against the number of hours of work experience required to take an examination if the applicant has received an associate of applied science degree from a plumbing technology program that:

(1) includes a combination of classroom and on-the-job training; and

(2) is approved by the board and the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.