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H.B. No. 3540

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the eligibility of certain persons to take an  
3 examination for a plumber's license.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 1301.354(d), Occupations Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (d) Notwithstanding the classroom training required by  
8 Subsection (b), a plumber's apprentice may apply for and take an  
9 examination for a license as a journeyman plumber [~~or tradesman~~  
10 ~~plumber-limited license holder~~] if the apprentice has received an  
11 associate of applied science degree from a plumbing technology  
12 program that:

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

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

17 SECTION 2. Section 1301.354(b-1), Occupations Code, is  
18 repealed.

19 SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act apply only to  
20 an application for a journeyman plumber license under Section  
21 1301.354, Occupations Code, submitted on or after January 1, 2014.  
22 An application for a journeyman plumber license submitted before  
23 that date is governed by the law in effect when the application was  
24 submitted, and the former law is continued in effect for that

1 purpose.

2 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.