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An Act To Provide a Career and Technical Education Training Option for Plumbers

Reference to the Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

HEATHER J.R. PRIEST Secretary of the Senate

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Presented by Senator MILLETT of Cumberland. Cosponsored by Representative KORNFIELD of Bangor and

Senators: BREEN of Cumberland, CARPENTER of Aroostook, CHENETTE of York, DESCHAMBAULT of York, DIAMOND of Cumberland, LIBBY of Androscoggin,

Representatives: DAUGHTRY of Brunswick, PIERCE of Falmouth.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §3501, sub-§2, ¶B,** as amended by PL 2005, c. 520, §1, is further amended to read:
 - B. A minimum of 2,000 hours of work in the field of plumbing installations as a journeyman-in-training under the supervision of a licensed master plumber, as long as the work experience is obtained within 4 years of the date upon which the applicant was issued a journeyman-in-training license. A journeyman-in-training license must be issued upon sworn application to any person who has satisfactorily completed one academic year of instruction in plumbing at a board-approved technical college or community college or in a career and technical education program approved pursuant to Title 20-A, section 8306-B as a secondary student or in a registered Department of Labor joint apprenticeship program and who has obtained a passing grade, as determined by the board on the journeyman's examination.
- **Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §3501, sub-§2-B,** as amended by PL 2003, c. 688, Pt. A, §38, is further amended to read:
- **2-B. Journeyman-in-training.** The board may issue a journeyman-in-training license to a person who provides satisfactory evidence of completion of a plumbing course consisting of one year or 2 semesters at a board-approved technical college or community college or in a career and technical education program approved pursuant to Title 20-A, section 8306-B as a secondary student and who submits the required fee set under section 3501-B. A journeyman-in-training license is valid for a single nonrenewable period of 4 years and may be issued only once to any individual.

24 SUMMARY

This bill allows the Plumbers' Examining Board to issue a journeyman-in-training license to a person who provides the board with satisfactory evidence of completion of a plumbing course at a career and technical education program as a secondary student.