

# HOUSE BILL No. 5583

May 1, 2012, Introduced by Reps. Ouimet, Wayne Schmidt, Tyler, Foster, Crawford, Huuki, Franz, Agema, Kowall, Somerville, McMillin, MacGregor, Rendon, Liss and Hobbs and referred to the Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland Security.

A bill to amend 2002 PA 733, entitled  
"State plumbing act,"  
by amending section 25 (MCL 338.3535).

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 25. (1) The department shall issue a journey plumber's  
2 license to a ~~person not less than~~ **AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS AT LEAST** 18  
3 years of age **AND** who does all of the following:

4           (a) Files a completed application on a form provided by the  
5 department.

6           (b) Pays the examination fee ~~prescribed in~~ **REQUIRED UNDER**  
7 section 31 and passes an examination provided for by the board and  
8 the department.

9           (c) Pays the license fee ~~prescribed in~~ **REQUIRED UNDER** section  
10 31.

1 (d) **MEETS EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:**

2 (i) Has at least 6,000 hours' experience gained over a period  
3 of ~~not less than~~ **AT LEAST** 3 years as an apprentice plumber in the  
4 practical installation of plumbing under the supervision of a  
5 master plumber.

6 (ii) **SERVED AS A PLUMBER FOR AT LEAST 2 YEARS WHILE ON ACTIVE**  
7 **DUTY AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES AND WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED**  
8 **FROM THAT MILITARY SERVICE IN THE 1-YEAR PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE**  
9 **THE LICENSE APPLICATION IS FILED. AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH,**  
10 **"ARMED FORCES" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE**  
11 **VETERAN RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 39, MCL 35.1092.**

12 (2) As a condition of renewal of a journey plumber's license,  
13 the journey plumber shall demonstrate the successful completion of  
14 a course, approved by the board, concerning any update or change in  
15 the code within 12 months after the update or change in that code.  
16 This requirement applies only during or after those years that the  
17 code is updated or changed.