

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1949

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to The Plumbing License Law of 1955; amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1017, which relates to inapplicability; adding exceptions to applicability of certain provisions; updating statutory language; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1017, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1017. The provisions of The Plumbing License Law of 1955 shall not apply to:

1. Minor repairs, consisting of repairing or replacing faucets or minor working parts of plumbing fixtures;

2. Farm buildings located outside any city or town unless such buildings are connected to a public water or sewer system;

3. Maintenance work for state institutions and school districts;

4. The installation, maintenance, repair, renovation of automatic sprinkler systems and related mechanical appurtenances

1 beginning at a point where the pipe or piping system provides water
2 used exclusively for these automatic sprinklers and their related
3 appurtenances and to standpipes connected to automatic sprinkler
4 systems;

5 5. The construction, installation, maintenance, repair,
6 renovation, ~~and/or~~ or removal of pipe or piping systems and related
7 mechanical appurtenances including backflow preventers, appliances
8 and/or equipment used in connection therewith, directly or
9 indirectly within or without any building or structure, from a point
10 or location in a source of potable water supply at which point or
11 location there exists any backflow preventer, provided that ~~said~~ the
12 pipe ~~and/or~~ or piping systems are for:

- 13 a. heating, except radiant-floor heating systems as
14 defined in subparagraph d of paragraph 9 of Section
15 1003 of this title,
- 16 b. cooling,
- 17 c. air conditioning,
- 18 d. refrigeration, or
- 19 e. boilers and other pressure vessels of ~~whatsoever~~ any
20 kind and character.

21 A "backflow preventer," as used ~~herein~~ in this paragraph, means
22 any permanent mechanical device, or combination of permanent
23 mechanical devices, of ~~whatever~~ any material, which, after
24 installation, acts to prevent a reversal of the normal directional

1 flow of potable water within the piping system in which it is
2 installed, ~~and~~. Such term shall include, but not be limited to,
3 metal ~~checkvalves~~ check valves and airgaps, either naturally or
4 artificially created. Provided, ~~further~~, that the exclusionary
5 provisions of this paragraph shall apply only to and within
6 governmental agencies, counties, cities and towns which now have or
7 which hereafter may adopt separate laws relating to the licensing,
8 registration and regulating of persons engaged, for business
9 purposes, in any of the areas of trade ~~hereinbefore~~ specified in
10 this paragraph; ~~the~~. The exemptions herein being provided to set
11 forth in this paragraph shall apply only to ~~these~~ items specifically
12 regulated by any such local laws and ordinances; ~~and~~

13 6. An individual who performs plumbing work on such
14 individual's property of residence;

15 7. Plumbing work consisting of installing, servicing, or
16 repairing service mains, service lines, appurtenances, equipment, or
17 appliances that provide water, sewer, or storm drainage services on
18 private property in an area that extends from a public right-of-way
19 or public easement to not less than five (5) feet from a building or
20 structure; or

21 8. Six-inch drains.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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