

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 1949

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6 AS INTRODUCED

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

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

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

15 Section 1017. The provisions of The Plumbing License Law of  
16 1955 shall not apply to:

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

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

21 3. Maintenance work for state institutions and school  
22 districts;

23 4. The installation, maintenance, repair, renovation of  
24 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.