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# HOUSE BILL No. 1305

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 22-15-2-8; IC 36-7-2-11.

**Synopsis:** Plumbing consumer safety matters. Provides that: (1) whenever a plumbing inspector (inspector) conducts an inspection of a construction, alteration, or repair of a building or improvements, the inspector shall verify at each point of inspection that each person acting as a plumbing contractor or journeyman plumber holds a valid plumbing license; (2) if the inspector submits a report to the division of fire and building safety, the report must indicate whether the plumbing was performed by a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber; and (3) if the report to the division indicates that plumbing was not performed by a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber, the division shall notify the Indiana plumbing commission of the performance of the plumbing by someone other than a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber. Requires a county, municipality, or township (unit) that issues a permit for the repair, alteration, or construction of a building or improvements to: (1) require compliance with the licensing requirements for plumbing contractors and journeyman plumbers; and (2) notify the plumbing commission if the unit has reason to believe that plumbing was not performed by a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber.

**Effective:** July 1, 2013.

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January 14, 2013, read first time and referred to Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 22-15-2-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3 1, 2013]: **Sec. 8. (a) As used in this section "plumbing" means**  
4 **plumbing (as defined in IC 25-28.5-1-2) that is:**  
5 **(1) authorized by a permit; and**  
6 **(2) not exempt from the application of IC 25-28.5 under**  
7 **IC 25-28.5-1-32 or another law.**  
8 **(b) As used in this section, "plumbing contractor" has the**  
9 **meaning set forth in IC 25-28.5-1-2(2).**  
10 **(c) As used in this section, "journeyman plumber" has the**  
11 **meaning set forth in IC 25-28.5-1-2(3).**  
12 **(d) Whenever a plumbing inspector conducts an inspection at a**  
13 **site at which a building or other improvements are being repaired,**  
14 **altered, or constructed, the plumbing inspector shall verify at each**  
15 **point of inspection that each person acting as a plumbing**  
16 **contractor or journeyman plumber holds a valid plumbing license**  
17 **issued under IC 25-28.5.**



1 (e) If the plumbing inspector submits a report to the division  
 2 concerning an inspection described in subsection (d), the report  
 3 must indicate whether the plumbing was performed by a licensed  
 4 plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber.

5 (f) If a report submitted to the division by a plumbing inspector  
 6 indicates that plumbing was not performed by a licensed plumbing  
 7 contractor or licensed journeyman plumber, the division shall  
 8 notify the Indiana plumbing commission, in the manner prescribed  
 9 by the commission, of the performance of the plumbing by  
 10 someone other than a licensed plumbing contractor or licensed  
 11 journeyman plumber.

12 SECTION 2. IC 36-7-2-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE  
 13 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
 14 1, 2013]: **Sec. 11. (a) This section applies to a unit that requires a  
 15 permit to repair, alter, or construct a structure or other  
 16 improvements.**

17 (b) As used in this section "plumbing" means plumbing (as  
 18 defined in IC 25-28.5-1-2) that is:

19 (1) authorized by a permit; and

20 (2) not exempt from the application of IC 25-28.5 under  
 21 IC 25-28.5-1-32 or another law.

22 (c) As used in this section, "plumbing contractor" has the  
 23 meaning set forth in IC 25-28.5-1-2(2).

24 (d) As used in this section, "journeyman plumber" has the  
 25 meanings set forth in IC 25-28.5-1-2(3).

26 (e) When issuing a permit to repair, alter, or construct a  
 27 structure or other improvements, a unit shall require compliance  
 28 with the licensing requirements for plumbing contractors and  
 29 journeyman plumbers under IC 25-28.5.

30 (f) If a unit that issued a permit described in subsection (e) has  
 31 reason to believe that plumbing was not performed by a licensed  
 32 plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber, the unit  
 33 shall notify the Indiana plumbing commission, in the manner  
 34 prescribed by the commission, that it has reason to believe that the  
 35 plumbing was performed by someone other than a licensed  
 36 plumbing contractor or licensed journeyman plumber.

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