

(E) AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING ALLOWING ALL INTERESTED PARTIES TO TESTIFY, THE BOARD MAY SUSPEND, REVOKE, OR REFUSE TO RENEW THE CERTIFICATE OR PERMIT OF ANY LICENSEE OR REPRIMAND ANY LICENSEE WHOM THE BOARD FINDS:

(1) HAS PRACTICED ANY FRAUD, DECEIT, OR MISREPRESENTATION IN OBTAINING A CERTIFICATE OR PERMIT;

(2) IS GUILTY OF GROSS NEGLIGENCE, INCOMPETENCE, OR MISCONDUCT IN THE PERFORMANCE OF PLUMBING WORK;

(3) IS GUILTY OF VIOLATION OF THE PLUMBING CODE OF THE BOARD OR ANY SUBDIVISION OR OFFICIAL BODY OF THIS STATE WHERE A LICENSEE HAS PERFORMED PLUMBING WORK;

(4) IS GUILTY OF AN UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICE AS DEFINED IN COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE, § 13-301 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND; OR

(5) WHEN THE LICENSEE IS A MASTER PLUMBER, HAS FAILED TO ADEQUATELY TRAIN AND CONTROL PERSONS SELLING OR ESTIMATING PLUMBING WORK TO BE PERFORMED UNDER HIS SUPERVISION.

(F) THE BOARD, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE BOARD PROMULGATED THEREUNDER PRESCRIBING THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR MASTER PLUMBERS' CERTIFICATES, MAY ISSUE A CERTIFICATE TO ANY PLUMBER PRESENTING A MASTER PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY A BOARD OR AGENCY OF ANY SUBDIVISION OR OFFICIAL BODY OF THIS STATE, UPON PAYMENT OF THE CURRENT FEE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD, DEPOSIT OF THE BOND REQUIRED BY THE BOARD; AND UPON SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE SATISFACTORY TO THE BOARD THAT:

(1) THE SUBDIVISION OR OFFICIAL BODY MAINTAINED A SYSTEM AND STANDARD OF QUALIFICATIONS AND EXAMINATION OF MASTER PLUMBERS WHICH WERE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THOSE REQUIRED BY THE BOARD AT THE TIME THE CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED BY THE SUBDIVISION OR OFFICIAL BODY; AND

(2) THE SUBDIVISION OR OFFICIAL BODY GIVES SIMILAR RECOGNITION AND ENDORSEMENT TO MASTER PLUMBERS REGISTERED BY THE BOARD.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

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