

1 **CONSTRUCTION TRADES LICENSING CONTINUING**

2 **EDUCATION**

3 2015 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson**

6 House Sponsor: Lee B. Perry

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8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill modifies the Utah Construction Trades Licensing Act.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12 This bill:

- 13 ▶ defines "certified HVAC technician";
- 14 ▶ requires the Construction Services Commission to create a continuing education
- 15 program for certified HVAC technicians;
- 16 ▶ requires a licensee who is a "certified HVAC technician" to complete eight hours of
- 17 continuing education every two years;
- 18 ▶ grants rulemaking authority to the commission, with the concurrence of the Division
- 19 of Occupational and Professional Licensing (DOPL), to create the continuing
- 20 education program; and
- 21 ▶ provides that DOPL may charge a fee to administer the continuing education
- 22 program.

23 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

24 None

25 **Other Special Clauses:**

26 None

27 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**



28 ENACTS:

29 **58-55-302.8**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



31 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

32 Section 1. Section **58-55-302.8** is enacted to read:

33 **58-55-302.8. Continuing education requirements for a licensee who is authorized**
34 **to install a gas or combustion system.**

35 (1) As used in this section, "certified HVAC technician" means an individual:

36 (a) whose license authorizes the individual to install, repair, maintain, clean, or replace
37 a residential or commercial gas appliance or a combustion system as described in Subsection

38 58-55-308(2); ~~and~~

39 (b) who has received the training and certification described in Subsection

40 58-55-308(2)(c) ~~and~~

40a (c) who is not licensed under Subsection 58-55-301(2) as a master plumber, residential master
40b plumber, journeyman plumber, residential journeyman plumber, or apprentice plumber. ~~and~~

41 (2) The commission shall, with the concurrence of the division, establish by rule a
42 continuing education program for certified HVAC technicians.

43 (3) Beginning January 1, 2016, during each two-year renewal cycle established by rule
44 under Subsection 58-55-303(1), a certified HVAC technician shall complete eight hours of
45 continuing education.

46 (4) The division may contract with a person to establish and maintain a continuing
47 education registry to include:

48 (a) an online application for a continuing education course provider to apply to the
49 division for approval of the course for inclusion in the continuing education program;

50 (b) a list of courses that the division has approved for inclusion in the continuing
51 education program; and

52 (c) a list of courses that a certified HVAC technician:

53 (i) has completed under the continuing education program; and

54 (ii) may access to monitor compliance with the continuing education requirements
55 under Subsection (2).

56 (5) The division may charge a fee, established by the division under Section 63J-1-504,
57 to administer the requirements of this section.

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