

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB3427

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Water Heater Safety Valve Act. Provides that a manufacturer or supplier of a hot water heater for use in a residential home or facility must supply or attach a temperature mixing valve or other safety valve to the hot water heater or tank that prevents water with a temperature above 130 degrees Fahrenheit from coming from any faucet or other source of water into direct contact with a person. Amends the Illinois Plumbing License Law to provide that a person engaged in plumbing who installs a hot water heater for use in a residential home or facility must supply or attach a temperature mixing valve or other safety valve to the hot water heater or tank that prevents water with a temperature above 130 degrees Fahrenheit from coming from any bathtub faucet, shower faucet, sink faucet, or any other source of water into direct contact with a person.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Water

 Heater Safety Valve Act.
- Section 5. Temperature mixing valve or safety valve. A 6 7 manufacturer or supplier of a hot water heater for use in a 8 residential home or facility must supply or attach a 9 temperature mixing valve or other safety valve to the hot water heater or tank that prevents water with a temperature above 130 10 degrees Fahrenheit from coming from any bathtub faucet, shower 11 faucet, sink faucet, or any other source of water into direct 12 13 contact with a person.
- Section 90. The Illinois Plumbing License Law is amended by changing Section 40 as follows:
- 16 (225 ILCS 320/40) (from Ch. 111, par. 1138)
- Sec. 40. All persons engaged in plumbing as defined in this
 Act shall comply with the minimum code of standards for
 plumbing and the fixtures, materials, design and installation
 methods of plumbing systems published by the Department and
 filed with the Secretary of State as required by this Act.

All installations of equipment, fixtures, appliances or piping which are used or intended for use entirely for or as a part of a water supply system or sewage disposal system and thereby can affect the public health shall comply with the provisions of the State Plumbing Code for design, materials, installation and maintenance. The installation, repair, maintenance, alteration or extension of building sewers shall be done in accordance with the State Plumbing Code. Any person engaged in any of such work shall upon investigation and determination of non-compliance with the provisions of the State Plumbing Code be subject to the penalties contained in this Act. Such prosecution shall be the responsibility of the State's Attorney or other authority as authorized by this Act.

A person engaged in plumbing who installs a hot water heater for use in a residential home or facility must supply or attach a temperature mixing valve or other safety valve to the hot water heater or tank that prevents water with a temperature above 130 degrees Fahrenheit from coming from any bathtub faucet, shower faucet, sink faucet, or any other source of water into direct contact with a person.

21 (Source: P.A. 83-878.)