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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 255

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for the issuance of certificates of  
7 fitness by the Department of Labor."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 18 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 62. CERTIFICATES OF FITNESS.

11 Sec. 18.62.010. CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS REQUIRED. In connection  
12 with work performed subject to the standards established in AS 18.60.580  
13 and AS 18.60.705, no person may be employed without a certificate of  
14 fitness to perform the work.

15 Sec. 18.62.020. APPLICATION FOR AND ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE. The  
16 department shall issue certificates of fitness. The certificate shall  
17 be issued only to an individual. An applicant for a certificate shall  
18 apply in writing, under oath, on a form prescribed by the department  
19 containing

20 (1) the name and address of the applicant;  
21 (2) his age;  
22 (3) his citizenship; and  
23 (4) other information relevant to licensing which the depart-  
24 ment requires.

25 Sec. 18.62.030. FEE. An applicant shall pay an initial fee of  
26 \$15 with his application.

27 Sec. 18.62.040. DURATION OF CERTIFICATE. The department may  
28 cancel a certificate for cause. Certificates, if not cancelled for  
29 cause, are renewable upon payment of an annual renewal fee of \$5.

1           Sec. 18.62.050. ISSUANCE AND CONTENTS OF CERTIFICATE. (a) If,  
2 upon investigation and examination by the department, the applicant is  
3 found competent by reason of training and experience, the department  
4 shall issue a certificate of fitness. The certificate shall set out  
5 the competency of the applicant and provide for his positive identifi-  
6 cation, and shall be carried on the person engaged in work subject to  
7 the requirement of a certificate of fitness under this chapter.

8           (b) An applicant who engaged in a trade subject to the requirement  
9 of a certificate of fitness under this chapter who has been engaged in  
10 that trade in the state for one year or more before January 1, 1973,  
11 upon making a satisfactory showing of qualifications to the department,  
12 shall be issued a certificate without examination.

13           (c) Verification by an Alaska-based labor union of a member's  
14 qualification to meet the requirements for a certificate of fitness may  
15 be accepted in lieu of examination or other requirement for issuing a  
16 certification under this chapter.

17           Sec. 18.62.060. POWER OF THE DEPARTMENT. The department shall issue  
18 orders, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of  
19 this chapter.

20           Sec. 18.62.070. PERSONS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATE. A person  
21 engaged in one of the following trades shall first obtain from the  
22 department the appropriate certificate of fitness in that trade:

23           (1) electrical wiring subject to the standards established  
24 in AS 18.60.580; and

25           (2) plumbing subject to the uniform plumbing code, as estab-  
26 lished in AS 18.60.705.

27           Sec. 18.62.080. PENALTY. A person, either an employer or employee,  
28 who violates a provision of this chapter or of a regulation issued under  
29 this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable

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