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Senate Bill 24

Introduced by: The Chair of the Committee on Commerce and Energy at the request of the State Plumbing Commission

1 **An Act to revise provisions relating to the promulgation of rules to set licensing and**
 2 **inspection fees for plumbers and related professions.**

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 **Section 1. That § 36-25-19 be AMENDED:**

5 **36-25-19.** A person may apply for a license required by this chapter to the
 6 commission, accompanied by ~~a license~~ an initial application fee established by the
 7 commission under this section. ~~If the person is not entitled to a renewal, the~~ The
 8 commission shall ~~register~~ license a person who satisfactorily passes an examination
 9 showing fitness to practice the person's trade. ~~Examinations may be held in conjunction~~
 10 ~~with any quarterly meeting of the commission.~~

11 The commission shall promulgate rules, ~~pursuant to~~ in accordance with chapter 1-
 12 26, to establish initial application fees, examination and reexamination fees, ~~and~~ license
 13 and renewal of license fees, and license verification fees for the following licenses:
 14 ~~plumbing contractor, plumber, water conditioning contractor, water conditioning installer,~~
 15 ~~appliance contractor, appliance installer, sewer and water contractor, sewer and water~~
 16 ~~installer, manufactured and mobile home contractor, manufactured and mobile home~~
 17 ~~installer, underground irrigation contractor, underground irrigation installer, and individual~~
 18 ~~and small on-site wastewater system installer~~

- 19 (1) Appliance contractor;
 20 (2) Appliance installer;
 21 (3) Individual and small on-site wastewater system installer;
 22 (4) Manufactured and mobile home contractor;
 23 (5) Manufactured and mobile home installer;
 24 (6) Plumber;
 25 (7) Plumbing contractor;
 26 (8) Sewer and water contractor;

- 1 (9) Sewer and water installer;
 2 (10) Underground irrigation contractor;
 3 (11) Underground irrigation installer;
 4 (12) Water conditioning contractor; and
 5 (13) Water conditioning installer.

6 No fee established under this section for an initial application may exceed sixty
 7 dollars. No fee established under this section for license verification may exceed thirty
 8 dollars. No fee established under this section for an examination or reexamination may
 9 exceed one hundred dollars. No fee established under this section for a license or renewal
 10 of license may exceed three hundred dollars.

11 **Section 2. That § 36-25-19.1 be AMENDED:**

12 **36-25-19.1.** Any person who is responsible for the installation of plumbing work
 13 ~~shall~~ must pay a plumbing inspection fee. The plumbing inspection fee ~~shall~~ must be the
 14 sum of a plumbing installation certificate fee plus a plumbing permit fee. The commission
 15 ~~shall establish by rule, promulgated pursuant to~~ promulgate rules, in accordance with
 16 chapter 1-26, to establish the plumbing permit fee ~~and,~~ the plumbing installation
 17 certificate fee, and an administrative late fee for failure to file with the commission the
 18 plumbing installation certificate prior to commencing plumbing work.

19 The plumbing permit fee for a single-family dwelling unit may not exceed ~~seventy-~~
 20 five one hundred twenty-five dollars. The plumbing permit fee for a multiple-dwelling unit
 21 or a public building may not exceed ~~two hundred fifty~~ three hundred twenty-five dollars.
 22 The plumbing installation certificate fee may not exceed ~~ten~~ twenty-five dollars. The
 23 administrative late fee may not exceed two hundred dollars.

24 The number of inspections for each permit is limited to three inspections. The
 25 commission may charge a fee ~~of fifty dollars for any~~ that may not exceed one hundred
 26 dollars per additional inspection in excess of the three ~~allotted~~ inspections.

27 **Section 3. That § 36-25-21 be AMENDED:**

28 **36-25-21.** The commission may register, without examination upon the payment
 29 of the required ~~fee~~ initial application fee, examination fee, and license fee, a nonresident
 30 applicant ~~applicant who is registered under the laws of other states having in another~~
 31 state with requirements for regulating plumbers ~~which,~~ and the commission determines
 32 are the regulation of plumbers in the other state is substantially equivalent to the
 33 requirements of this state.

1 **Section 4. That § 36-25-24 be AMENDED:**

2 **36-25-24.** The commission shall promulgate rules, ~~pursuant to~~ in accordance with
3 chapter 1-26, on fees for ~~an~~:

4 (1) An application for an initial apprentice license;

5 (2) An initial apprentice license, ~~the license's~~;

6 (3) The annual renewal, ~~of an apprentice license~~;

7 (4) An examination for a third-year apprentice; and ~~a~~

8 (5) A temporary license.

9 The temporary license ~~fees~~ fee must be paid prior to taking the examination for
10 the first time. No fee may exceed fifty dollars.

11 **Section 5. That § 36-25-24.1 be AMENDED:**

12 **36-25-24.1.** As used in §§ 36-25-14, and 36-25-19, ~~and 36-25-24,~~ the term,
13 "underground irrigation," means any nonagricultural, landscape irrigation system.