

in this State as to the prohibition of affected pilot lights, and shall direct the manufacturers of the devices available to comply with this section.

(d) (1) A new residential type gas appliance that is equipped with a pilot light may not be sold or installed in this State after an alternative means has been certified by the Commission.

(2) This subsection is operative 24 months after an intermittent ignition device has been demonstrated and certified by the Commission as an alternative means.

(e) (1) The Commission shall create a seal of certification and shall distribute the seal to every manufacturer of gas appliances doing business in this State.

(2) The seal shall be affixed to every new gas appliance equipped with an intermittent ignition device sold in this State.

(f) (1) A person may not distribute, sell, or install in this State any new gas appliance which does not carry the proper seal of certification from the Commission.

(2) This subsection is effective 24 months after an intermittent ignition device has been certified by the Commission.

(g) To carry out the provisions of this section, in addition to powers granted elsewhere in this article, the Commission may:

(1) Designate affected industry and consumer representatives to assist the Commission in developing specifications for certification of intermittent ignition devices;

(2) Issue a seal of certification to be attached to new residential type gas appliances equipped with an intermittent ignition device which meets the specifications of the Commission;

(3) Make periodic inspections of manufacturers and distributors of gas appliances, retail outlets, and contractors or builders at building sites to ensure compliance with this section; and

(4) Bring an action for an injunction pursuant to § 99 of this article to prevent violations of this section.

(h) Any person who knowingly violates any provision of this section is subject to the criminal penalties of § 101 of this article.]