CHAPTER 175

(Senate Bill 334)

AN ACT concerning

Licenses - Washington County Plumbing Board - Exception

FOR the purpose of allowing a Washington County Master Plumbing Certificate to be granted to any person who held a Washington County Master Plumbing Certificate before a certain date; and allowing a Washington County Journeyman Plumbing Certificate to be granted to any person who held a Washington County Journeyman Plumbing Certificate before a certain date.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 56 - Licenses Section 459(1) Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 56 - Licenses

459.

The provisions of this subtitle shall not apply to Washington County, except as hereinafter provided:

(1) There shall be a Washington County plumbing board which shall consist of five members. Two of the members shall be master plumbers residing in the county, and they shall be appointed annually by the County Commissioners of Washington County. The County Commissioners shall also select annually two members from among the residents of the county. The compensation of these four members shall be as provided by the County Commissioners. The compensation shall be paid, to the extent possible, from the fees of applicants for certificates or permits. The Washington County health officer shall be the fifth member of the board, and he shall receive no additional compensation for serving as a member of the board.

The Washington County plumbing board shall have the sole power to grant certificates. The board shall grant a Washington County master plumbing certificate to any person who passes the State master plumbing examination and a Washington County journeyman plumbing certificate to any person who passes the State journeyman plumbing examination. [The board may not issue a certificate to any person who has not passed the appropriate