

the plumbing business, as provided in this subtitle of this article; and no person shall be qualified to work at the plumbing business in this State unless he has made application to and received from the State Board of Commissioners of Practical Plumbing the certificate of competence described in § 449 of this article and is otherwise qualified as required by this subtitle of this article. Any person or firm engaged in the plumbing business in this State, and the superintendent, manager, agent or other officer of any corporation engaged in the plumbing business in this State, who shall employ any person to work at the plumbing business who is not qualified as required by this subtitle of this article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten dollars, nor more than fifty dollars, for every day or part of every day that such employer shall employ such workman. And any person or firm not engaged in the plumbing business in this State, and the superintendent, manager, agent or other officer of any corporation not engaged in the plumbing business in this State, who shall employ any person to do plumbing work in this State, knowing the person so employed is not qualified to work at the plumbing business as required by this subtitle of this article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten dollars, nor more than fifty dollars, for every day or part of every day that such employer shall so employ such workman.

(B) (1) A PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION ENGAGING IN THE BUSINESS OF PRACTICAL PLUMBING UNDER THIS SUBTITLE MAY NOT UNDERTAKE TO DO ANY PLUMBING WORK WITHIN THIS STATE OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THIS STATE UNLESS THE PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION CARRIES GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE IN A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF \$300,000 AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE IN A MINIMUM AMOUNT OF \$100,000, OR SELF-INSURES IN EQUIVALENT AMOUNTS UNDER THE STANDARDS FOR SELF-INSURANCE ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER.

(2) PROOF OF INSURANCE SHALL BE SHOWN BEFORE THE ISSUANCE OR THE RENEWAL OF A CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCY.

(3) PROOF OF GENERAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE OBTAINED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION SHALL RELIEVE THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER FROM ANY REQUIREMENT TO FURNISH A SEPARATE SURETY BOND IN ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION UNDER LOCAL PRACTICAL PLUMBING REQUIREMENTS.

(4) NOTICE OF CANCELLATION OF GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE OR PROPERTY DAMAGE INSURANCE MUST BE FORWARDED TO:

(I) THE STATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PRACTICAL PLUMBING WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE CANCELLATION DATE; AND

(II) EACH BOARD OR COMMISSION TO WHOM THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE WAS PRESENTED.

(5) INACTIVE CERTIFICATE HOLDERS ARE EXEMPT FROM THESE INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS.