

who is licensed under [the provisions of] ARTICLE 56, § 180 [of this article] or by a [registered] LICENSED master plumber. The provisions of this section shall prevail, notwithstanding any other provisions of law.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 455 of Article 56 - Licenses of the Annotated Code of Maryland, be repealed and reenacted, with amendments, and transferred to be Section 8-104 of Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and that Section 9-101 of said Article 29 be repealed and reenacted, without amendments, to read as follows:

Article 29 - Washington Suburban Sanitary District

[455] 8-104.

[The provisions of this subtitle shall not apply to Montgomery and Prince George's counties except as hereinafter provided.]

(a) [In Montgomery and Prince George's counties, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission shall have] SUBJECT TO ARTICLE 56A, § 3-305 OF THE CODE, THE WSSC HAS the sole power to grant [certificates] LICENSES to persons desiring to work at the plumbing business in [said counties, provided that the] AREAS OF ANNE-ARUNDEL, HOWARD, MONTGOMERY, MONTGOMERY OR PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY THAT ARE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE WSSC. THE fees to be charged for [said certificates shall] A LICENSE MAY not exceed the fees as fixed in [this subtitle] THE MARYLAND PLUMBING ACT. The [said Commission shall have the power to make such rules and regulations as to the installation of plumbing in said counties as it may deem necessary for the public health, and] WSSC shall [have and] exercise within [the said Montgomery and Prince George's counties] AREAS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE WSSC all the authority and power conferred upon the State Board of [Commissioners of Practical] Plumbing [by this subtitle]. [Provided, however, that nothing in this section shall affect the certificates heretofore issued by the Commissioners of Practical Plumbing, but all persons who have such certificates shall have and exercise all the rights and privileges which a holder of such certificate has under the provisions of this subtitle, but the renewal of such certificate shall be under the jurisdiction and control of the said Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission.]

(b) Any person holding a valid master plumber's license or a journeyman plumber's license issued by the [Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission] WSSC is entitled to be issued a master plumber's [certificate] LICENSE or a journeyman plumber's [certificate] LICENSE, as applicable, by the State Board of [Commissioners of Practical] Plumbing [of the State of Maryland] without examination, upon the presentation of a valid master plumber's license or a journeyman plumber's license, as