individual of any application and fee required by the subdivision of the State; prohibiting a political subdivision of the State from requiring an examination of an applicant who is licensed by the Board; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to the local licensure of individuals who are licensed by the Board.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Regulation

Section 9A-506

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

Article - Business Regulation

9A-506.

- (a) Any subdivision of the State which required a local license to provide heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services on or before January 1, 1990 may continue to require a local license for services performed within that subdivision.
- (b) (1) [Any] A subdivision OF THE STATE which requires a local license [under this section] TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, OR REFRIGERATION SERVICES may not discriminate against applicants who are not residents of [that] THE subdivision.
- (2) A SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE WHICH REQUIRES A LOCAL LICENSE TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, OR REFRIGERATION SERVICES SHALL ISSUE A LOCAL LICENSE TO ANY INDIVIDUAL LICENSED BY THE BOARD ON RECEIPT FROM THE INDIVIDUAL OF ANY APPLICATION AND FEE REQUIRED BY THE SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE.
- (3) A SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE MAY NOT REQUIRE AN APPLICANT FOR A LOCAL LICENSE TO PROVIDE HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR-CONDITIONING, OR REFRIGERATION SERVICES TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION IF THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD.
- (c) In the event that any subdivision which requires a local license discontinues that requirement after the effective date of this Act, that subdivision may not thereafter adopt a license requirement.
- (d) A State license is required to provide heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, or refrigeration services anywhere within the State, whether or not the individual holds a local license.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1997.

Approved May 22, 1997.