

1-1 By: Smith (Senate Sponsor - Taylor of Galveston) H.B. No. 2464
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 27, 2015;
1-3 May 5, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on Business
1-4 and Commerce; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by the following
1-5 vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the transfer of a plumber's license on the retirement or
1-20 death of the plumber.

1-21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-22 SECTION 1. Section 1301.359(b), Occupations Code, is
1-23 amended to read as follows:

1-24 (b) Except as provided by Section 1301.406, a [A] license,
1-25 endorsement, or registration issued under this chapter is not
1-26 assignable or transferable.

1-27 SECTION 2. Subchapter H, Chapter 1301, Occupations Code, is
1-28 amended by adding Section 1301.406 to read as follows:

1-29 Sec. 1301.406. TRANSFER OF LICENSE. (a) On approval by the
1-30 board, a person who holds an unexpired license under this chapter
1-31 and whose license has been held continuously for at least 50
1-32 consecutive years may transfer the license on the date of the
1-33 person's retirement or death to another person who:

1-34 (1) is related within the second degree by
1-35 consanguinity to the transferor; and

1-36 (2) holds a license as a journeyman plumber or master
1-37 plumber under this chapter.

1-38 (b) The application for a license transfer under this
1-39 section must include the transferor's consent and a designation of
1-40 whether the license will transfer on the retirement or death of the
1-41 transferor.

1-42 (c) The board shall transfer a license to a person who
1-43 submits an application and presents evidence satisfactory to the
1-44 board that:

1-45 (1) the person meets the requirements under
1-46 Subsections (a)(1) and (a)(2); and

1-47 (2) the transferor is retired or dead.

1-48 SECTION 3. As soon as practicable after the effective date
1-49 of this Act, the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners shall adopt
1-50 rules and prescribe forms necessary to implement the changes in law
1-51 made by Section 1301.406, Occupations Code, as added by this Act.

1-52 SECTION 4. Not later than January 1, 2016, the Texas State
1-53 Board of Plumbing Examiners shall begin accepting applications for
1-54 the transfer of licenses under Section 1301.406, Occupations Code,
1-55 as added by this Act.

1-56 SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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