

(A) In Montgomery and Prince George's counties, the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission shall have the sole power to grant certificates to persons desiring to work at the plumbing business in said counties, provided that the fees to be charged for said certificates shall not exceed the fees as fixed in this subtitle. 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 shall have and exercise within the said Montgomery and Prince George's counties 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 IS ENTITLED TO BE ISSUED A MASTER PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE OR A JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE, 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 APPLICABLE, ISSUED BY THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION AND A NOTARIZED STATEMENT OF GOOD STANDING ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION. FURTHER, ANY PLUMBER RESIDING IN PRINCE GEORGE'S OR MONTGOMERY COUNTIES HOLDING A VALID MASTER PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE OR A JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PRACTICAL PLUMBING IS ENTITLED TO BE ISSUED A MASTER PLUMBER'S LICENSE OR A JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER'S LICENSE, AS APPLICABLE, BY THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION, WITHOUT EXAMINATION, UPON PRESENTATION OF A VALID MASTER PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE OR A JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER'S CERTIFICATE, AS APPLICABLE, ISSUED BY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PRACTICAL PLUMBING.

(C) ANY LICENSE OR CERTIFICATE ISSUED TO A MASTER PLUMBER OR A JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER IN GOOD STANDING PURSUANT TO A RECIPROcity ARRANGEMENT BY THE STATE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PRACTICAL PLUMBING AND THE WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION PRIOR TO JULY 1, 1978 SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1978.

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