

**CHAPTER 504**

AN ACT to create 145.13 (1) (d) and 145.14 of the statutes, pertaining to the licensing and regulation of water softener servicers.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 145.13 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

145.13 (1) (d) To water softener servicers.

SECTION 2. 145.14 of the statutes is created to read:

145.14 WATER SOFTENER SERVICER LICENSED. (1) A water softener servicer means any person who services domestic water softeners and accessories, other than a plumber licensed under this chapter.

(2) No person other than a licensed water softener servicer or a licensed plumber may service domestic water softeners and accessories within this state.

(3) The board may prescribe rules pertaining to the qualifications, training and experience requirements and examinations required of applicants for a license as a water softener servicer. Applications shall be made on forms furnished by the board. Licenses issued under this section may be revoked or suspended by the board for violations of the state plumbing code or rules established by the board.

(4) Fees are as follows:

(a) For water softener servicers examination, \$20. Any applicant who fails upon examination shall be entitled to one re-examination without an additional fee. For each subsequent examination the fee shall be \$20.

(b) For water softener servicers license, \$20 annually, which shall be paid immediately upon notice from the board that the applicant has passed an examination. For each renewal of license, \$20 if application is made prior to January 1; after that date, an additional fee of \$3 is assessed.

(5) No license shall be issued for longer than one year and all licenses shall expire on December 31 in each year, and such license may be renewed upon an application made prior to the date of expiration. The board may renew licenses upon application made after January 1, if it is satisfied that the applicant had good cause for not making application prior to January 1 and upon payment of the renewal and additional fees prescribed.

(6) No city, village, town, town sanitary district, county or metropolitan sewerage district commission may require the licensing of water softener servicers or prohibit water softener servicers licensed under this section from engaging in or working at the business of water softener servicing.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect on January 1, 1962.

Approved September 18, 1961.