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2005 Senate Bill 467

Senate Amendment 1

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Senate Bill 467 relates to well drilling, pump installing, and well inspection and abandonment. The bill creates a well driller license and pump installer license administered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). These license provisions include prerequisites that a license applicant must meet before the DNR may issue the respective license to the applicant. These prerequisites include that the applicant demonstrates competency in pump installing or well drilling by passing an examination administered by the DNR.

In a nonstatutory provision, the bill also directs the DNR to issue a well driller license to each individual registered as a well driller under current law and to issue a pump installer license to each individual registered as a pump installer under current law. The license prerequisites in the bill relating to passing a DNR-administered exam apply to individuals whose well driller registration or pump installer registration is being converted to a well driller license or pump installer license, respectively, under this nonstatutory provision.

Senate Amendment 1 removes the license prerequisite relating to passing a DNR-administered exam from applying to a well driller license or a pump installer license that the DNR issues to an individual currently registered as a well driller or pump installer, respectively, under the nonstatutory provision in the bill described above. Under the DNR's current rules, a condition for an individual to be registered as a well driller or a pump installer is that the individual has passed an applicable exam administered by the DNR.

Legislative History

On February 15, 2006, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation offered and recommended for adoption Senate Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0, and recommended concurrence in Senate Bill 467, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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