

State of Misconsin 2009 - 2010 LEGISLATURE

2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 237

April 30, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives ROTH, BIES, BROOKS, GUNDERSON, GUNDRUM, HONADEL, HUEBSCH, LEMAHIEU, LOTHIAN, MONTGOMERY, NASS, SPANBAUER, TOWNSEND and VOS, cosponsored by Senators DARLING, HARSDORF and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Jobs, the Economy and Small Business.

1 AN ACT to create 101.023 of the statutes; relating to: prohibiting the 2 Department of Commerce from promulgating rules requiring registration of 3 certain persons engaged in the construction business.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The Department of Commerce (Commerce) administers various laws, including building codes, that promote safety in public and private buildings and in the subsystems of those buildings. To that end, Commerce issues various registrations, licenses, permits, and other credentials (registrations) to persons engaged in the construction trades, such as electricians and plumbers.

This bill prohibits Commerce from promulgating any rule requiring a person who is engaged in the construction business to hold a registration, unless the rule relates to a registration specifically authorized or required by statute to be issued by Commerce.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 101.023 of the statutes is created to read:

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1	101.023 Rules requiring certain credentials prohibited. (1) In this
2	section:
3	(a) "Construction business" means the business of building, altering, or
4	repairing public buildings, places of employment, or dwellings.
5	(b) "Registration" means a registration, license, permit, certification, or other
6	credential.
7	(2) The department may not promulgate any rule that requires a person who
8	is engaged, or who offers to engage, in a construction business to hold a registration
9	issued by the department.
10	(3) Subsection (2) does not prohibit the department from promulgating a rule
11	relating to any registration that the department is specifically required or
12	authorized to issue under this chapter or ch. 145.
13	(END)