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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Revise the Oil Burner Men Law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. 20 MRSA § 2361, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 374, § 1, is amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

Applications for a journeyman oil burner man's license shall be accompanied by a certificate of course completion of an approved course of at least 1,000 hours of instruction related to the respective field at a Maine vocational-technical institute, a Maine vocational region or a Maine regional vocational-technical center.

- Sec. 2. 32 MRSA § 2301, sub-§ 1-A is enacted to read:
- I-A. Approved. "Approved" shall mean acceptable to the Oil Burner Men's Licensing Board as to design, construction, installation or intended use as required by the standards adopted by the board. Devices listed for a specific purpose by Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., may be considered as meeting the requirements of the standards. All other equipment shall be submitted to the board for review. The board may require such equipment to be tested by either the Department of Industrial Cooperation, University of Maine, or Southern Maine Vocational-Technical Institute.
- Sec. 3. 32 MRSA § 2301, sub-§ 2, last sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 374, § 3, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

Applicants for a license of this classification shall present evidence of at least one year's practical experience to the board, or a certificate of course completion of a course of at least 1,000 hours of instruction approved by the Department of Educational and Cultural Services, completed at a Maine vocationaltechnical institute, a Maine vocational region or a Maine regional vocationaltechnical center.

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA § 2303, 1st sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 384, is amended to read:

No oil burning equipment of whatever type shall hereafter be installed in this State unless it conforms to the standards adopted by the board is approved by the board and installed in accordance with the standards adopted by the board.

Sec. 5. 32 MRSA § 2353, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 384, is amended by adding at the end 2 new sentences to read:

The board may establish fees and charges necessary for covering the costs incurred for approving and testing equipment. The manufacturer or his representative shall be required to pay all fees and charges established by the board.

Sec. 6. 32 MRSA § 2403, 1st sentence, as repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 384, is amended to read:

Applicants for a master or journeyman's oil burner license shall present to the chairman executive secretary of the board a written application for examination, containing such information as the board may require, accompanied by a fee of \$5.

STATEMENT OF FACT

Presently the Oil Burner Men's Licensing Board is paying for all charges incurred for product review, testing and follow-up work. This is becoming an expensive operation. The board feels that the manufacturer or his agent should reimburse the board for these charges. The fees established would be limited to the actual moneys spent. This new draft would accomplish that purpose.