Senate Bill 930

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE; Representative KRIEGER (at the request of Oregon Chapter, American Backflow Prevention Association, Oregon Cross Connection Specialist Regional Subcommittee of PNWA-AWWA, Eugene Water and Electric Board, City of Bend, City of Phoenix, City of Roseburg, City of The Dalles, City of Corvallis, City of Redmond, Rainbow Water District (Springfield, OR))

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Instructs State Plumbing Board to establish limited specialty plumber license for servicing, maintaining and repairing backflow assemblies.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to backflow assemblies.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 693.
- 5 SECTION 2. (1) The State Plumbing Board shall establish a limited specialty plumbers
- 6 license that allows persons to service, maintain and repair backflow assemblies. To qualify
- 7 for a license under this section, a person must successfully complete a training program
- 8 approved by the board and hold a certificate issued under ORS 448.279 to test backflow as-
- 9 **semblies.**

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- (2) A training program approved by the board under this section must provide at least 16 hours of classroom training. The training shall include practice in servicing, maintaining and repairing backflow assemblies that are under working water pressure and shall provide instruction regarding:
- 14 (a) Materials, tools and equipment;
 - (b) Troubleshooting techniques;
- 16 (c) Administrative rules;
- 17 **(d) Safety;**
 - (e) Accessing and understanding manufacturer schematics and specifications; and
- 19 (f) Locating industry resources.
 - (3) A limited specialty plumber licensed under this section may service, maintain and repair backflow assemblies, including but not limited to, accessing the internal components of a backflow assembly:
 - (a) To flush and clean check valves, springs, seats, guides and rubber components; or
 - (b) To replace parts.
 - (4) A limited specialty plumber license issued under this section does not authorize the holder to install or remove a backflow assembly.

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