

# Senate Bill 1541

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## 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**.

Allows person who obtained plumbing education, training and experience while on active duty with armed forces to have education, training and experience evaluated for credit toward fulfillment of approved plumbing apprenticeship. Applies to plumbing apprenticeships entered into on or after January 1, 2013.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to plumbing apprenticeships; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2012 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 660.002 to**  
5 **660.210.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "armed forces" means:**

7 (a) **The Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps or Navy;**

8 (b) **The reserves of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps or Navy; and**

9 (c) **The Oregon National Guard or the National Guard of any other state or territory.**

10 (2) **Plumbing education, training and experience that a trainee obtained while on active**  
11 **duty with the armed forces is creditable work experience for purposes of a plumbing ap-**  
12 **prenticeship. The trainee must have performed plumbing education, training and experience**  
13 **with the armed forces within \_\_\_\_\_ months prior to commencing a plumbing apprentice-**  
14 **ship program approved under ORS 660.002 to 660.210.**

15 (3) **A trainee seeking to claim plumbing education, training and experience described in**  
16 **subsection (2) of this section as creditable work experience shall submit detailed information**  
17 **regarding the education, training and experience to the local joint committee or the trade**  
18 **committee functioning as a local joint committee. The State Apprenticeship and Training**  
19 **Council shall adopt rules governing the submission of information under this subsection. At**  
20 **a minimum, the rules must require the trainee to state the approximate time the trainee**  
21 **spent on education, training and experience in each major process to be covered by an ap-**  
22 **proved plumbing apprenticeship.**

23 (4) **The committee shall evaluate information submitted under subsection (3) of this sec-**  
24 **tion to determine the extent to which the trainee's plumbing education, training and expe-**  
25 **rience is relevant to the major processes to be covered under an approved plumbing**  
26 **apprenticeship. The committee shall credit at least 75 percent of any time spent on plumbing**  
27 **education or training relevant to a major process as education and training in that major**  
28 **process obtained under an approved plumbing apprenticeship. The committee shall credit**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 at least 75 percent of any time spent in plumbing experience relevant to a major process as  
2 on-the-job work experience in that major process obtained under an approved plumbing ap-  
3 prenticeship.

4 (5) The Bureau of Labor and Industries and the State Plumbing Board shall recognize  
5 plumbing education, training and experience credited by a committee under subsection (4)  
6 of this section in determining whether a trainee has fulfilled any apprenticeship requirement  
7 established as a prerequisite to taking the examination for licensing by the board as a  
8 journeyman plumber.

9 **SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this 2012 Act applies to plumbing apprenticeship programs for  
10 which the trainee enters into the apprenticeship agreement on or after January 1, 2013. The  
11 State Apprenticeship and Training Council shall adopt rules under section 2 of this 2012 Act  
12 in time for the rules to take effect no later than January 1, 2013.

13 **SECTION 4.** This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
14 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect  
15 on its passage.  
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