SENATE BILL NO. 827

March 11, 2020, Introduced by Senator VICTORY and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform

A bill to amend 2016 PA 407, entitled "Skilled trades regulation act," by amending section 807 (MCL 339.5807).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 807. (1) An applicant is not eligible for a work
- 2 classification examination under this article unless the applicant
- 3 meets the requirements under provided in article 2, is of good
- 4 moral character, and has meets 1 or more of the following:
- 5 (a) Has a minimum of 3 years or 6,000 hours of experience —in

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- 1 the work classification for which he or she is seeking a license,
- 2 or an equivalent of that experience, that is acceptable to the
- 3 board —and shown to the department, in 1 or more of the work
- 4 classifications described in subsection (2). For purposes of this
- 5 subdivision, and except in the case of equivalent experience, an
- 6 applicant must provide to the board and the department a notarized
- 7 statement from each contractor of record that is the present or
- 8 former mechanical contractor employer of the applicant. The
- 9 statement must indicate that the applicant has a minimum of 3 years
- 10 or 6,000 hours of performance in each work classification for which
- 11 the applicant is seeking a license and must include a detailed and
- 12 specific description of the type of work performed by the applicant
- 13 and the length of time he or she performed that work.
- 14 (b) Currently holds, and has continuously held for at least 3
- 15 years immediately preceding his or her application, an active
- 16 license under this act in a work classification listed in
- 17 subsection (2)(b), (d), (e), or (f) and is applying for licensure
- 18 in the following work classifications, as applicable:
- 19 (i) If he or she currently holds a license in the work
- 20 classification listed in subsection (2)(b), a work classification
- 21 listed in subsection (2)(c), (e), (f), (g), (h), or (j).
- 22 (ii) If he or she currently holds a license in the work
- 23 classification listed in subsection (2)(d), a work classification
- 24 listed in subsection (2) (f) or (h).
- 25 (iii) If he or she currently holds a license in the work
- 26 classification listed in subsection (2)(e), a work classification
- 27 listed in subsection (2)(g).
- 28 (iv) If he or she currently holds a license in the work
- 29 classification listed in subsection (2)(f), a work classification

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1 listed in subsection (2)(h).

- 2 (2) A mechanical contractor's license that is issued under
- 3 this article is classified and limited as The department shall
- issue a mechanical contractor's license under this article with 14
- 5 or more of the following classifications and limitations:
- 6 (a) Hydronic heating and cooling and process piping.
- 7 (b) HVAC equipment.
- 8 (c) Ductwork.
- 9 (d) Refrigeration.
- 10 (e) Limited heating service. , heating or refrigeration.
- (f) Limited refrigeration and air conditioning service. 11
- (g) Unlimited heating service. 12
- (h) (f) Unlimited service, heating or refrigeration and air 13 14 conditioning service.
- 15 (i) (g) Fire suppression.
- 16 (j) (h)—Specialty.

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- (3) For purposes of subsection (1), "experience" includes 17 18 experience acquired while serving in the armed forces by an 19 individual who was separated from that service, and who provides to
- the department a form DD214, form DD215, or any other form that is satisfactory to the department that demonstrates that he or she the 21
- individual was separated from that service with an honorable 22
- 23 character of service discharge or under honorable conditions
- 24 (general). character of service.
- 25 (4) An individual described in subsection (3) shall submit
- with his or her application for licensure an affidavit or letter 26
- 27 signed by a commanding officer, supervisor, or military superior
- with direct knowledge of the applicant's service that describes his 28
- 29 or her the applicant's experience as a mechanical contractor in 1

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- 1 or more of the classifications described in subsection (2).
- 2 (5) If an applicant provides evidence satisfactory to the 3 department that he or she has completed a 2-year, or equivalent,
- 4 HVAC program provided by a recognized trade school, community
- 5 college, or university, and approved by the board, the department
- 6 shall credit the completion of that program toward the 3 years or
- 7 6,000 hours of work experience required under subsection (1)(a).
- 8 The amount credited, as determined by the department, shall not
- 9 exceed 1 year or 2,000 hours of the 3 years or 6,000 hours
- 10 required.