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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Comm: FAV	.	
04/10/2013	.	
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The Committee on Regulated Industries (Stargel) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause
and insert:

Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section
489.111, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

489.111 Licensure by examination.—

(2) A person shall be eligible for licensure by examination
if the person:

(c) Meets eligibility requirements according to one of the
following criteria:

1. Has received a baccalaureate degree from an accredited



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13 4-year college in the appropriate field of engineering,
14 architecture, or building construction and has 1 year of proven
15 experience in the category in which the person seeks to qualify.
16 For the purpose of this part, a minimum of 2,000 person-hours
17 shall be used in determining full-time equivalency.

18 2. Has a total of at least 4 years of active experience as
19 a worker who has learned the trade by serving an apprenticeship
20 as a skilled worker who is able to command the rate of a
21 mechanic in the particular trade or as a foreman who is in
22 charge of a group of workers and usually is responsible to a
23 superintendent or a contractor or his or her equivalent,
24 provided, however, that at least 1 year of active experience
25 shall be as a foreman.

26 3. Has a combination of not less than 1 year of experience
27 as a foreman and not less than 3 years of credits for any
28 accredited college-level courses; has a combination of not less
29 than 1 year of experience as a skilled worker, 1 year of
30 experience as a foreman, and not less than 2 years of credits
31 for any accredited college-level courses; or has a combination
32 of not less than 2 years of experience as a skilled worker, 1
33 year of experience as a foreman, and not less than 1 year of
34 credits for any accredited college-level courses. All junior
35 college or community college-level courses shall be considered
36 accredited college-level courses.

37 4.a. An active certified residential contractor is eligible
38 to take the building contractors' examination if he or she
39 possesses a minimum of 3 years of proven experience in the
40 classification in which he or she is certified.

41 b. An active certified residential contractor is eligible



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42 to take the general contractors' examination if he or she
43 possesses a minimum of 4 years of proven experience in the
44 classification in which he or she is certified.

45 c. An active certified building contractor is eligible to
46 take the general contractors' examination if he or she possesses
47 a minimum of 4 years of proven experience in the classification
48 in which he or she is certified.

49 5.a. An active certified air-conditioning Class C
50 contractor is eligible to take the air-conditioning Class B
51 contractors' examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 3
52 years of proven experience in the classification in which he or
53 she is certified.

54 b. An active certified air-conditioning Class C contractor
55 is eligible to take the air-conditioning Class A contractors'
56 examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of
57 proven experience in the classification in which he or she is
58 certified.

59 c. An active certified air-conditioning Class B contractor
60 is eligible to take the air-conditioning Class A contractors'
61 examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 1 year of proven
62 experience in the classification in which he or she is
63 certified.

64 6.a. An active certified swimming pool servicing contractor
65 is eligible to take the residential swimming pool contractors'
66 examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 3 years of
67 proven experience in the classification in which he or she is
68 certified.

69 b. An active certified swimming pool servicing contractor
70 is eligible to take the swimming pool commercial contractors'



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71 examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 4 years of
72 proven experience in the classification in which he or she is
73 certified.

74 c. An active certified residential swimming pool contractor
75 is eligible to take the commercial swimming pool contractors'
76 examination if he or she possesses a minimum of 1 year of proven
77 experience in the classification in which he or she is
78 certified.

79 d. An applicant is eligible to take the swimming pool/spa
80 servicing contractors' examination if he or she has
81 satisfactorily completed 60 hours of instruction in courses and
82 20 hours of in-field, hands-on instruction related to the scope
83 of work covered by that license and approved by the Construction
84 Industry Licensing Board by rule, and has not previously engaged
85 in any scope of work described in ss. 489.105(3)(j), (k) or (l)
86 reserved to commercial pool/spa contractors, residential
87 pool/spa contractors and swimming pool/spa servicing
88 contractors, respectively without being properly licensed to
89 engage in same and has at least 1 year of proven experience
90 related to the scope of work of such a contractor.

91 Section 2. Section 489.1131, Florida Statutes, is created
92 to read:

93 489.1131 Pool/Spa Cleaning.- Any person who cleans a pool
94 or spa in a way that affects the structural integrity of the
95 pool or spa or its associated equipment without being properly
96 licensed as required by this part is subject to the provisions
97 of s. 489.127.

98 Section 3. This act shall take effect October 1, 2014.
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And the title is amended as follows:

 Delete everything before the enacting clause
and insert:

 A bill to be entitled
An act relating to swimming pool and spa contracting;
amending s. 489.111, F.S.; revising eligibility
requirements for taking the swimming pool/spa
servicing contractor's licensure examination; creating
s. 489.1131, F.S.; providing penalties for
unauthorized contracting by providers of cleaning
services; providing an effective date.