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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Gruters moved the following:

**Senate Amendment (with directory and title amendments)**

Delete lines 75 - 141

and insert:

(e) Any person who is not required to obtain registration or certification under s. 489.105(3)(d)-(i) or (m)-(o) may perform specialty contracting services for the construction, remodeling, repair, or improvement of commercial or residential swimming pools, hot tubs or spas, or interactive water features, as defined in the Florida Building Code, without obtaining a local contractor license or specialty contractor license if such



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12 person is under the supervision of a person who is certified or  
13 registered under s. 489.105(3)(j)-(1), provided that the work is  
14 within the scope of the supervising contractor's license. Such  
15 supervision does not require a direct contract between a person  
16 certified or registered under s. 489.105(3)(j)-(1) and the  
17 person performing specialty contracting services.

18 Section 3. Section 489.1455, Florida Statutes, is amended  
19 to read:

20 489.1455 Journeyman; reciprocity; standards.—

21 (1) Counties and municipalities are authorized to issue  
22 journeyman licenses in the plumbing, pipe fitting, mechanical,  
23 or HVAC trades.

24 (2)~~(1)~~ An individual who holds a valid, active journeyman  
25 license in the plumbing, pipe fitting ~~plumbing/pipe fitting,~~  
26 mechanical, or HVAC trades issued by any county or municipality  
27 in this state may work as a journeyman in the trade in which he  
28 or she is licensed in any county or municipality of this state  
29 without taking an additional examination or paying an additional  
30 license fee, if he or she:

31 (a) Has scored at least 70 percent, or after October 1,  
32 1997, at least 75 percent, on a proctored journeyman Block and  
33 Associates examination or other proctored examination approved  
34 by the board for the trade in which he or she is licensed;

35 (b) Has completed an apprenticeship program registered with  
36 a registration agency defined in 29 C.F.R. s. 29.2 and  
37 demonstrates 4 years' verifiable practical experience in the  
38 trade for which he or she is licensed, or demonstrates 6 years'  
39 verifiable practical experience in the trade for which he or she  
40 is licensed;



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41 (c) Has satisfactorily completed specialized and advanced  
42 module coursework approved by the Florida Building Commission,  
43 as part of the building code training program established in s.  
44 553.841, specific to the discipline or, pursuant to  
45 authorization by the certifying authority, provides proof of  
46 completion of such coursework within 6 months after such  
47 certification; and

48 (d) Has not had a license suspended or revoked within the  
49 last 5 years.

50 ~~(3)~~(2) A local government may charge a registration fee for  
51 reciprocity, not to exceed \$25.

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53 ===== D I R E C T O R Y C L A U S E A M E N D M E N T =====

54 And the directory clause is amended as follows:

55 Delete lines 54 - 55

56 and insert:

57 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of section  
58 489.117, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (e) is  
59 added to that subsection, to read:

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61 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

62 And the title is amended as follows:

63 Delete lines 17 - 18

64 and insert:

65 government may not require a license; authorizing  
66 certain persons under the supervision of specified  
67 licensed contractors to perform certain specialty  
68 contracting services for commercial or residential  
69 swimming pools, hot tubs or spas, or interactive water



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70 features; providing that such supervision does not  
71 require a direct contract between those persons;  
72 amending s. 489.1455, F.S.; authorizing counties and