

SENATE BILL NO. 268

INTRODUCED BY SHEA

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ELIMINATING THE EXEMPTION FROM OBTAINING PERMITS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE HOMEOWNERS WHO INTEND TO INSTALL SANITARY PLUMBING AND POTABLE WATER SUPPLY PIPING THEMSELVES; ~~CLARIFYING PLUMBING REPLACEMENT AND REPAIR ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH A PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED~~; AND AMENDING SECTION 50-60-506, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 50-60-506, MCA, is amended to read:

"50-60-506. Exceptions to permit requirement. (1) ~~No~~ A permit is not required for any minor replacement or repair work, the performance of which does not have a significant potential for creating a condition hazardous to public health and safety.

(2) ~~(a) No~~ A permit is not required where the installation is exempt under the provisions of 37-69-102 or 50-60-503, except that the installation of sanitary plumbing and potable water supply piping by the owner IN NEW CONSTRUCTION OR A MAJOR REMODELING of a single-family residence IN WHICH THE PLUMBING OR PIPING MAY BE COVERED BY WALLS, FLOORS, OR CEILINGS requires a permit.

~~(b) A permit is not required by this subsection (2) for plumbing-related replacement and repair work that includes but is not limited to:~~

~~(i) replacement of fixtures, faucets, nonpotable water supplies, and traps;~~

~~(ii) kind-for-kind replacement of plumbing components; and~~

~~(iii) replacement of water heaters.~~

(3) ~~No~~ A state permit is not required whenever the installation occurs in an area governed by a municipality and where there is in effect a municipal building code ~~which~~ that covers plumbing installations and ~~which~~ that provides inspection procedures.

~~(4) Nothing contained in this part shall prohibit the owner of residential property from making an installation for all sanitary plumbing and potable water supply piping without a permit providing he does the work himself.~~

~~(5)~~(4) The provisions of this part do not apply to regularly employed maintenance personnel doing

1 maintenance work on the business premises of their employer unless the work is subject to the permit provisions
2 of this part."

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