

House Bill 486 (COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Mathis of the 144th, Hill of the 3rd, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 14 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 electrical contractors, plumbers, conditioned air contractors, low-voltage contractors, and
3 utility contractors, so as to prohibit certain advertisements related to plumbing; to provide
4 for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 14 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to electrical
8 contractors, plumbers, conditioned air contractors, low-voltage contractors, and utility
9 contractors, is amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 43-14-8, relating
10 to licensing required for electrical, plumbing, or conditioned air contracting, businesses
11 conducted by partnerships, limited liability companies, and corporations, applications, and
12 review courses, as follows:

13 "(a) No person shall engage in the electrical contracting business as an electrical contractor
14 unless such person has a valid license from the Division of Electrical Contractors and a
15 certificate of competency, if such certificates are issued by the division pursuant to
16 subsection (b) of Code Section 43-14-6.

17 (b)(1) No person shall engage in the business of plumbing as a master plumber unless
18 such person has a valid license from the Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman
19 Plumbers.

20 (2) No person shall engage in the business of plumbing as a journeyman plumber unless
21 such person has a valid license from the Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman
22 Plumbers.

23 (3) A person who does not have a valid license from the Division of Master Plumbers
24 and Journeyman Plumbers shall be prohibited from advertising in any manner that such
25 person is in the business or profession of plumbing as a master plumber or journeyman

26 plumber unless such person is licensed by the Division of Master Plumbers and
27 Journeyman Plumbers."

28 **SECTION 2.**

29 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.