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AN ACT to amend and reenact §29-3D-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to providing classifications of licensees to be licensed by the State Fire Marshal to engage in fire protection work.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

That §29-3D-2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

**§29-3D-2. Definitions.**

1 As used in this article:

2 (a) "Engineered Suppression Systems Installer" means a  
3 person certified by a manufacturer to install, alter, extend,  
4 maintain, layout or repair an agent suppression system.

5 (b) "Engineered Suppression Systems Technician" means  
6 a person certified by a manufacturer to maintain or repair an  
7 agent suppression system.

8 (c) "Fire protection layout technician" is an individual  
9 who has achieved National Institute for Certification in  
10 Engineering Technologies (NICET) Level III or higher  
11 certification, and who has the knowledge, experience and  
12 skills necessary to layout fire protection systems based on  
13 engineering design documents.

14 (d) "Fire protection system" means any fire protection  
15 suppression device or system designed, installed and  
16 maintained in accordance with the applicable National Fire  
17 Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards, but does  
18 not include public or private mobile fire vehicles.

19 (e) "Fire protection work" means the installation,  
20 alteration, extension, maintenance, or testing of all piping,  
21 materials and equipment inside a building, including the use  
22 of shop drawings prepared by a fire protection layout  
23 technician, in connection with the discharge of water, other  
24 special fluids, chemicals or gases and backflow preventers  
25 for fire protection for the express purpose of extinguishing or  
26 controlling fire.

27 (f) "Journeyman sprinkler fitter" means a person qualified  
28 by at least ten thousand hours of work experience installing,  
29 adjusting, repairing and dismantling fire protection systems  
30 and who is competent to instruct and supervise the fire  
31 protection work of a sprinkler fitter in training.

32 (g) "License" means a valid and current license issued by  
33 the State Fire Marshal in accordance with the provisions of  
34 this article.

35 (h) "Portable Fire Extinguisher Technician" means a  
36 person certified in accordance with NFPA 10 to install,  
37 maintain, repair and certify portable fire extinguishers as  
38 defined by NFPA 10.

39       (i) "Pre-Engineered Suppression Systems Installer"  
40 means a person certified by a manufacturer to install, alter,  
41 extend, maintain, layout or repair an agent suppression  
42 system.

43       (j) "Pre-Engineered Suppression Systems Technician"  
44 means a person certified to maintain or repair an agent  
45 suppression system.

46       (k) "Sprinkler fitter in training" means a person with  
47 interest in and an aptitude for performing fire protection work  
48 but who alone is not capable of performing such work, and  
49 who has fewer than ten thousand hours of experience  
50 installing, adjusting, repairing and dismantling fire protection  
51 systems.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chandy White  
Chairman Senate Committee

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Chairman House Committee

Originating in the House.

In effect from passage.

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Clerk of the Senate

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Clerk of the House of Delegates

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 13<sup>th</sup>  
day of March, 2008.

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Governor

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