

SENATE BILL NO. 482

BY SENATOR RISER

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact the introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:1377(K) and to enact R.S. 37:1377(K)(3), relative to mechanical contractors; to provide relative to scope of practice; to provide for exceptions; to provide for certain terms and conditions; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. The introductory paragraph of R.S. 37:1377(K) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:1377(K)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1377. Definitions; exceptions

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K. Gas Fitting. "Gas fitting" means the work or business of installing, repairing, improving, altering, or removing natural gas piping, fittings, valves, or tanks used for conveying fuel gas for appliances on or in premises or in buildings annexed to ~~real~~ **immovable** property. For purposes of this Chapter, gas fitting does not include the following:

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**(3)(a) Piping connection, disconnection, or reconnection from the outlet side of the appliance shutoff valve to the appliance inlet.**

**(b) The following persons or entities shall not be construed as a gas fitter or master gas fitter for any purposes of this Chapter solely due to the performance of services described in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph:**

**(i) Any person or business entity licensed by the State Licensing Board for Contractors as a mechanical contractor.**

**(ii) Any person or business entity classified under the heating, air conditioning, ventilation, duct work, and refrigeration subclassification of mechanical contractors pursuant to R.S. 37:2156.2.**

1           Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
5 effective on the day following such approval.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_