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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7001**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1281**

**DATE PREPARED: Jan 6, 2002**

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Plumbing Education and Apprenticeships.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill modifies the apprentice plumber supervision requirement. It modifies the requirements that an applicant must meet to qualify for a journeyman plumber examination or a plumbing contractor license examination.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2002.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** The Indiana Plumbing Commission may experience an impact due to the provisions of this bill. Because the bill changes the personal supervision of an apprentice requirement from direct and immediate supervision to inspection and approval of the apprentice's work, the Commission may need to change its apprentice application form.

The bill adds to the qualifications required for the journeyman plumber examination and the plumbing contractor license examination. It provides that if an education program is required by the Commission, the program must be approved by either the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training of the United States Department of Labor or the Commission. If additional meetings are required for the Commission to approve education programs, additional expenses may be incurred. Based on six members and FY 2000 expenses, the Indiana Plumbing Commission spent approximately \$4,000 on travel and \$2,000 on per diem. The average cost per member was \$1,000.

The bill also provides that an applicant may not be registered as an apprentice for more than one year unless enrolled in an education program that is approved by the Commission.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

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**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana Plumbing Commission

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Professional Licensing Agency.