

CHAPTER 34**(HB 54)**

AN ACT relating to building trade professions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 198B IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) *The department shall recognize and allow dual credit students receiving directly related on-the-job training equivalencies of internship and cooperative placement hours to count toward the hours necessary to obtain licensure in a profession regulated by the department, including but not limited to electrician, plumbing, and heating, ventilation, and air conditioning licenses.*
- (2) *The maximum equivalencies to count toward licensure under subsection (1) of this section shall be:*
 - (a) *For electrician licenses, up to four thousand (4,000) hours in accordance with KRS 227A.060;*
 - (b) *For plumber licenses, up to two (2) years; and*
 - (c) *For heating, ventilation, and air conditioning licenses, up to three thousand (3,000) hours.*
- (3) *The department shall establish a reporting system under this section through the promulgation of administrative regulations in accordance with KRS Chapter 13A.*
- (4) *The department shall utilize the current administrative regulations governing licensure attainment to determine the eligibility and applicability of directly related on-the-job training hours, ensuring alignment with existing licensure requirements and standards.*

Signed by Governor March 19, 2025.