

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2021

SESSION LAW 2021-122  
SENATE BILL 316

AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS FOR PLUMBING, HEATING, FIRE  
SPRINKLER, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 87-1.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 87-1.1. **Exception for licensees under Article 2 or 4.**

G.S. 87-1 shall not apply to a licensee under Article 2 or 4 of this Chapter of the General Statutes, G.S. 87-43 shall not apply to a licensee under Article 2 of this Chapter of the General Statutes, and G.S. 87-21(a)(5) shall not apply to a licensee under Article 4 of this Chapter of the General Statutes when the licensee is bidding and contracting directly with the owner of a public building project ~~if~~ if all of the following apply:

- (i)(1) ~~a~~ A licensed general contractor performs all work that falls within the classifications in G.S. 87-10(b) and the State Licensing Board of General Contractor's ~~rules; and~~ rules.
- (ii)(2) ~~the~~ The total amount of the general contracting work so classified does not exceed a percentage of the total bid price pursuant to rules established by ~~the~~ the Board; and ~~the Board.~~
- (iii)(3) ~~a~~ A licensee with the appropriate license under Article 2 or Article 4 of this Chapter performs all work that falls within the classifications in Article 2 and Article 4 of this Chapter."

**SECTION 2.** The State Licensing Board for General Contractors; State Board of Examiners of Plumbing, Heating, and Fire Sprinkler Contractors; and State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this act.

**SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2021.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2021.

s/ Phil Berger  
President Pro Tempore of the Senate

s/ Howard Penny, Jr.  
Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

s/ Roy Cooper  
Governor

Approved 11:47 a.m. this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2021

