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House Bill 4937 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Bruce Caswell

House Committee: Regulatory Reform

Senate Committee: Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Boiler Act to add to the Board of Boiler Rules a member representing antique steam engine owners and operators; and add a definition of "antique steam boiler" to the Act.

Under the bill, a 12th member would be added to the Board of Boiler Rules created in the Department of Labor and Economic Growth. The new board member would have to be a representative of antique steam boiler owners and operators. Currently, 11 members serve on the board, which prescribes uniform rules for boilers; provides for the licensing of boiler inspectors, installers, and repairers; sets fees for licenses, permits, inspections, and certificates; and prescribes penalties for violations of the Act.

Additionally, the bill would define "antique steam boiler" as "a boiler that is no longer used in production applications and is used to demonstrate the historical significance of steam boilers in American history".

Under the Act, antique traction steam boilers must be inspected once every three years, and those used for commercial purposes must be inspected annually. The bill would delete language setting a fee of \$25, if the inspection is made by a deputy inspector, and providing that the fee is not subject to change by rule. The bill also would refer to "antique steam boilers" (deleting "traction").

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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