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the Fire Protection Licensing Board law, is amended to read as follows:

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(a) The provisions of this subchapter do not apply to the following:

3 (1) The filling or charging of a portable fire extinguisher by4 the manufacturer prior to its initial sale;

5 (2) The servicing by a firm of its own portable fire
6 extinguishers, fixed systems, or fire protection sprinkler systems by its own
7 personnel specially trained for such servicing;

8 (3) The hydrostatic testing by a firm of its own United States 9 Department of Transportation specification compressed gas cylinders used for 10 or with fire extinguishers, or its own pressure vessels, other than 11 Department of Transportation specification cylinders, used as fire 12 extinguishers, when the testing is performed by personnel of the firm who 13 have been specially trained to perform the testing;

14 (4) Firms engaged in the retailing or wholesaling of portable 15 fire extinguishers, as defined in § 20-22-602, but not engaged in the 16 installing, servicing, or recharging of them, shall only be exempt from the 17 registration and licensing provisions as outlined in § 20-22-610, but all 18 other provisions of this subchapter shall apply; and

19 (5) Fire departments recharging portable fire extinguishers as a 20 public service where a nominal charge or no charge is made, provided the 21 members of the fire department performing the services are trained in the 22 proper filling and recharging of the fire extinguishers, such servicing is 23 performed according to the standards adopted and the rules and regulations of 24 the Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board, and specifically to National Fire Protection Association pamphlet number ten (No. 10), "Portable Fire 25 26 Extinguishers", and at least one (1) member of each fire department servicing 27 portable extinguishers holds a license issued by the board; and.

28 (6)(A) The installation of a standpipe and hose system as 29 defined under the provisions of National Fire Protection Association pamphlet 30 number fourteen (No. 14) may be done according to the following provisions: 31 (i) Persons or firms installing the standpipe and

32 hose system shall be exempt from the registration and licensing provisions as

33 outlined in § 20-22-610 and from that part of the rules and regulations that

34 apply to service tags and, specifically, paragraph numbers sixteen (16) and

35 seventeen (17) of the "Rules and Regulations Applicable to Fire Protection

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1	(ii) The standpipe and hose system shall:
2	(a) Be designed, installed, and tested
3	according to the standards adopted in the "Rules and Regulations Applicable
4	to Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems" of the board and, specifically, the
5	provisions of the appropriate National Fire Protection Association pamphlets;
6	(b) Be designed by an Arkansas-licensed
7	responsible managing employee or a registered professional engineer licensed
8	by the State of Arkansas; and
9	(c) Be installed by a firm licensed by the
10	board or a mechanical or plumbing contractor licensed by the State of
11	Arkansas.
12	(B) This exception does not apply to the servicing or
13	maintaining of a standpipe and hose system, nor to the installation,
14	servicing, or maintaining of combined systems as defined in National Fire
15	Protection Association pamphlet number fourteen (No. 14).
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17	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 20-22-607 is amended to read as follows:
18	20-22-607. Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board - Powers and
19	duties.
20	(a) The Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board shall:
21	(1) Formulate and administer such policies as may be determined
22	necessary for the protection and preservation of life and property, in regard
23	to:
24	(A) The registration of firms engaging in the business of
25	servicing portable fire extinguishers or installing and maintaining fixed
26	fire extinguisher systems;
27	(B) The registration of firms engaged in the business of
28	hydrostatic testing of portable fire extinguishers. However, no person or
29	firm shall be granted a Class A hydrostatic testing certificate until the
30	applicant submits proof satisfactory to the board that the test equipment of
31	the applicant has been tested and certified by the United States Department
32	of Transportation;
33	(C) The examination and licensure of persons applying for
34	a license to service portable fire extinguishers and to install fixed fire
35	extinguisher systems;
36	(D) The registration of firms engaged in the business of

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1 installing or servicing fire protection sprinkler systems, including

2 <u>standpipe and hose systems</u>;

3 (E) The examination and licensing of persons desiring to 4 be licensed as a responsible managing employee for the purpose of installing 5 or servicing fire protection sprinkler systems, including standpipe and hose 6 systems; and

7 (F) The examination and licensing of persons desiring to
8 be licensed as fire sprinkler inspectors for the purpose of inspection of
9 fire sprinkler systems;

10 (2) Establish reasonable qualifications for firms or individuals
11 for a certificate of registration or license to engage in the business of
12 servicing portable fire extinguishers, installing fixed fire extinguisher
13 systems, or installing or servicing fire protection systems;

14 (3) Conduct examinations to ascertain the qualifications and
15 fitness of applicants for a license to service portable fire extinguishers,
16 install fixed fire extinguisher systems, or install or service fire
17 protection sprinkler systems;

18 (4) Issue certificates of registration for those firms that 19 qualify to engage in the business of servicing portable fire extinguishers, 20 installing and servicing fixed fire extinguisher systems, or installing or 21 servicing fire protection sprinkler systems, and issue licenses, apprentice 22 permits, and authorizations to perform hydrostatic testing to the firms or 23 individuals who qualify; and

24 (5) Evaluate the qualifications of firms seeking approval as
25 testing laboratories for portable fire extinguishers+; and

26 (6) (A) Regulate and license as a part of a fire protection
27 sprinkler system, the installation, service, and maintenance of a standpipe
28 and hose system as defined under the provisions of National Fire Protection
29 Association pamphlet number fourteen (No. 14).

30 (b)(1) The installation, service, and maintenance of a standpipe and
 31 hose system shall be performed by a licensed fire sprinkler contractor.
 32 (2) However, the design of the standpipe and hose system shall

33 be:

- 34(A) Designed, installed, and tested according to the35standards adopted in the "Rules and Regulations Applicable to Fire Protection
- 36 Sprinkler Systems" of the board and, specifically, the provisions of the

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1	appropriate National Fire Protection Association pamphlets;	
2	(B) Designed by an Arkansas-licensed responsible managing	
3	employee or a registered professional engineer licensed by the State of	
4	Arkansas; and	
5	(C) Installed by a fire sprinkler contractor licensed by	
6	the board.	
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