

No. 86. An act relating to state standards for boilers and pressure vessels.

(S.293)

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 20 V.S.A. § 2882 is amended to read:

§ 2882. RULES; INSTALLATION STANDARDS

(a) The commissioner may adopt rules pertaining to boilers and pressure vessels, and standards to be observed, necessary for the safety and protection of the public, employees and property. ~~All standards adopted by the commissioner shall conform to the codes of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the National Board of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspectors.~~ The commissioner may provide for operating certificates to be issued before a boiler or pressure vessel may be used.

(b) A boiler or pressure vessel regulated by the rules adopted under this section shall be designed, manufactured, and assembled in accordance with the relevant standards published by the:

(1) American Society of Mechanical Engineers;

(2) Canadian Standards Association;

(3) European Committee for Standardization, for boilers with a maximum water jacket size of 60 gallons, a maximum input of 250,000 Btu, and a maximum relief valve setting of 30 pounds per square inch gauge; or

(4) European Committee for Standardization, for boilers or pressure vessels with an input of greater than 250,000 Btu or a water jacket size of greater than 60 gallons as approved by the commissioner.

(c) A boiler or pressure vessel regulated by the rules adopted under this section shall be installed in accordance with the National Board Inspection Code, as amended, including control, safety, and pressure relief devices in accordance with the relevant standards published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

(d) A boiler or pressure vessel regulated by the rules adopted under this section shall provide the manufacturer's design information, instructions, data plates, and warning labels in English.

(e) In reviewing an application for a variance, the commissioner may rely upon decisions or information from other states or governmental entities that have reviewed and approved a boiler or pressure vessel that does not meet one of the standards set forth under subsection (b) of this section.

Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect upon passage.

Approved: April 27, 2010