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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 250

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Board of Electrician Examiners."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 \* Section 1. AS 08 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 11. BOARD OF ELECTRICIAN EXAMINERS.

10 ARTICLE 1. BOARD OF ELECTRICIAN EXAMINERS.

11 Sec. 08.11.010. CREATION AND MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD OF ELECTRICIAN  
12 EXAMINERS. There is created a Board of Electrician Examiners consisting  
13 of five members.

14 Sec. 08.11.020. QUALIFICATION OF BOARD MEMBERS. Each member of  
15 the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of the  
16 state. Two members shall be qualified electrical contractors with at  
17 least 10 years practical experience; two members shall be qualified  
18 journeymen electricians with at least five years practical experience,  
19 and one member shall be from the public at large.

20 Sec. 08.11.030. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF OFFICE. Board members  
21 are appointed and serve at the pleasure of the governor. Board members  
22 shall hold office for terms of three years. However, of the members  
23 first appointed, one shall be appointed for a term of one year; two for  
24 two years; and two for three years.

25 Sec. 08.11.040. MEETINGS. The board shall meet at least once  
26 each year.

27 Sec. 08.11.050. POWERS AND DUTIES. (a) The board shall:

28 (1) promulgate regulations to establish uniform criteria for  
29 the licensing of electricians;

1 (2) develop, designate, and administer examinations to  
2 determine the competency and knowledge of persons doing electrical  
3 work;

4 (3) issue a certificate to persons who successfully complete  
5 designated examinations.

6 (b) The board shall compile, once each year, a roster showing the  
7 name, registration number and last known address of all registered  
8 electricians. The roster shall be placed on file with the lieutenant  
9 governor and upon request may be distributed or sold to the public.

10 (c) It shall be the duty of the board to notify each applicant for  
11 examination, the time and place of examination, at least 15 days prior  
12 to the examination.

13 Sec. 08.11.060. POWER OF BOARD TO ADOPT SEAL. The board shall  
adopt a seal and affix it to all certificates issued.

15 Sec. 08.11.070. APPLICABILITY OF ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.  
16 The board shall comply with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

17 ARTICLE 2. EXAMINATION AND CERTIFICATE.

18 Sec. 08.11.080. CERTIFICATE REQUIRED. No person may engage in the  
19 trade of an electrician in the capacity of journeyman electrician without  
20 first having had issued to him a valid journeyman electrician's certifi-  
21 cate by the Board of Electrician Examiners.

22 Sec. 08.11.090. EXEMPTIONS. This chapter shall not apply to:

23 (1) an authorized representative of the United States gov-  
24 ernment or the state;

25 (2) a person working on his own property, whether occupied by  
26 him or not, which is not intended for sale at the time of making the  
27 installation;

28 (3) an owner of commercial property who uses his own employees  
29 to do maintenance, repair and alteration work upon that property;

1 (4) a person performing construction work incidental to  
2 farming, dairying, agriculture, horticulture, stock and poultry raising,  
3 mining, logging or fishing, providing the electrical installations are  
4 made to conform with the recommendations of the appropriate state  
5 building codes.

6 Sec. 08.11.100. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE. A person who is  
7 required by sec. 80 of this chapter to possess an electrician's certifi-  
8 cate shall make application on a form prescribed by the board.

9 Sec. 08.11.110. QUALIFICATION FOR CERTIFICATE. An applicant  
10 shall be issued a certificate to engage in the trade of journeyman  
11 electrician if he:

12 (1) is a citizen of the United States or is a resident alien  
13 in the United States who intends to become a citizen of the United  
14 States;

15 (2) is of good moral character;

16 (3) can show proof of a minimum of five years as an apprentice  
17 electrician or a minimum of five years of continuous experience in the  
18 trade of an electrician; and

19 (4) has successfully completed an examination as certified  
20 by the board.

21 Sec. 08.11.120. CHARACTER OF EXAMINATION. The board shall deter-  
22 mine the character and extent of the examinations.

23 Sec. 08.11.130. EXAMINATION WAIVER. The board may issue a  
24 certificate to any person who submits an application, pays the required  
25 fees and possesses and presents to the board a valid journeyman electri-  
26 cian's certificate of competency issued to him by any electrician's  
27 examining agency giving an examination, the scope and character of which,  
28 in the opinion of the board, is at least equal to that given by the  
29 Board of Electrician Examiners.

1           Sec. 08.11.140. RE-EXAMINATION. A person who fails to pass the  
2 examination as prescribed by the board, may upon payment of an  
3 additional fee prescribed by the board, apply for re-examination after  
4 the expiration of 30 days. Should the applicant fail to pass the  
5 second time, the board may refuse a third application for six months.

6           Sec. 08.11.150. EXPIRATION OF CERTIFICATE. Every certificate  
7 shall remain in force and effect until its expiration date unless  
8 canceled or revoked. Certificates shall expire biennially on a date  
9 set by the Department of Commerce. Notice at least 60 days prior to  
10 expiration of a certificate shall be given to each certificate holder  
11 by sending a notice of expiration to his last known address.

12           Sec. 08.11.160. FEES. (a) Every person applying for an electri-  
13 cian's certificate shall pay to the Department of Commerce, at the time  
14 he makes application, the sum of \$40.

15           (b) All certificates except certificates which have been canceled  
16 or revoked, may be renewed upon request and payment of the required fee.  
17 If a renewal of a certificate is requested and the required fee is paid  
18 within 30 days of the expiration date of the certificate, the renewal  
19 fee is \$20. If a renewal is requested and the required fee is paid  
20 more than 30 days but less than 90 days after the expiration date of the  
21 certificate, the renewal fee is \$40. No certificate may be renewed  
22 more than 90 days after expiration of the certificate.

23           Sec. 08.11.170. REVOCATION OF CERTIFICATE. (a) The board may  
24 revoke a certificate upon finding that

- 25           (1) the application is fraudulent or misleading;  
26           (2) the licensee has knowingly violated this chapter or a  
27 lawful order or regulation of the board;  
28           (3) the licensee is incompetent in matters relevant to his  
29 certificate.

1 (b) Notice of proposed revocation of a certificate shall be given  
2 in writing, stating the grounds.

3 (c) Proceedings for the revocation of a certificate shall be  
4 governed by the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

5 (d) If a person's certificate is revoked, another certificate may  
6 not be granted to that person within 12 months of the date of revoca-  
7 tion.

8 Sec. 08.11.180. CERTIFICATE NONTRANSFERABLE. Certificates are  
9 not transferable from one person to another. The use of another's  
10 certificate with his knowledge is cause for revocation of the certifi-  
11 cate.

12 ARTICLE 3. UNLAWFUL ACT AND PENALTIES.

13 Sec. 08.11.210. VIOLATION OF SEC. 80 OF THIS CHAPTER. A person  
14 who violates sec. 80 of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and  
15 upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by  
16 imprisonment for not more than six months, or both.

17 Sec. 08.11.220. FRAUDULENT CERTIFICATES. A person who obtains or  
18 attempts to obtain a certificate by dishonest or fraudulent means, or  
19 who forges, counterfeits or fraudulently alters a certificate, is  
20 punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not  
21 more than six months, or both.

22 ARTICLE 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS

23 Sec. 08.11.230. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

24 (1) "board" means the Alaska State Board of Electrician  
25 Examiners;

26 (2) "certificate" means an Electrician's Certificate of  
27 Qualification;

28 (3) "electrician" means a qualified workman who has completed  
29 his apprenticeship, supervises, engages in or works at the actual

1 installation, alteration, repairs, and renovating of electrical wiring  
2 and components and who has successfully fulfilled the examinations  
3 and requirements of the Board of Electrician Examiners.

4 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.01.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (19) Board of Electrician Examiners.  
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