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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 308 *AM*

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to electrical administrators."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 08.18 is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 Sec. 08.18.026. ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS. (a) The department may
10 not issue a certificate of registration as an electrical contractor to
11 an applicant unless the applicant is, or has in his employ, a person
12 currently licensed as an electrical administrator under AS 08.40.

13 (b) Each applicant for an electrical contractor's certificate of
14 registration may have more than one electrical administrator in his
15 employ.

16 (c) If the relationship of the only electrical administrator
17 with a registered electrical contractor is terminated, the registration
18 is void 30 days after the next regularly scheduled examination unless
19 the electrical contractor has hired a licensed electrical administrator
20 in the interim.

21 * Sec. 2. AS 08.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

22 CHAPTER 40. ELECTRICAL ADMINISTRATORS [CONTRACTORS].

23 Sec. 08.40.005. PURPOSE OF CHAPTER. The purpose of this chapter
24 is to protect the safety of people and property within the state from
25 the danger of improperly installed electrical wiring and equipment, by
26 providing a procedure to assure

27 (1) the public that persons responsible for making electrical
28 installations in this state are qualified, and

29 (2) a sufficient number of persons are so qualified.

1 * Sec. 3. AS 08.40.010 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 08.40.010. CREATION AND MEMBERSHIP OF BOARD. There is
3 hereby created a Board of Electrical Examiners consisting of three
4 members who are licensed electrical administrators [CONTRACTORS].

5 * Sec. 4. AS 08.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 Sec. 08.40.045. CATEGORIES OF LICENSES. The board may adopt
7 regulations establishing categories of electrical administrators,
8 establishing qualifications for those categories and the content of
9 examinations for applicants for each category.

10 * Sec. 5. AS 08.50.050 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 08.40.050. REGULATIONS. The board shall adopt [ISSUE RULES
12 AND] regulations subject to the Administrative Procedure Act (AS
13 44.62), relating to the examination and licensing of electrical
14 administrators [CONTRACTORS] and the suspension or revocation of
15 licenses.

16 * Sec. 6. AS 08.40.090 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 08.40.090. LICENSE REQUIRED. (a) No person may act as an
18 electrical administrator [CONTRACTOR] in the state without a license
19 issued by the board.

20 (b) A person licensed under this chapter may perform work only
21 in a category for which he or she is licensed.

22 * Sec. 7. AS 08.40.130 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

23 Sec. 08.40.130. ADMINISTRATOR LIMITED TO ONE LICENSED CONTRACTOR.
24 No person may qualify for or operate as an electrical administrator
25 for more than one registered contractor.

26 * Sec. 8. AS 08.40.135(a) is amended to read:

27 (a) A license issued under this chapter [IS VALID FOR TWO YEARS
28 AFTER ISSUANCE], unless revoked or suspended, is nontransferable and
29 may be renewed on a date set by the department [BIENNIALY ON JANUARY

1] , without examination, by appropriate application.

* Sec. 9. AS 08.40.175(a) is amended to read:

(a) If the commissioner of labor determines that a person is acting as an electrical administrator [CONTRACTOR] in violation of this chapter, he may issue a cease and desist order prohibiting further action by the person as an electrical administrator [CONTRACTOR]. The cease and desist order remains in effect until the person has submitted evidence acceptable to the commissioner of labor showing that the violation has been corrected.

* Sec. 10. AS 08.40.190 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

Sec. 08.40.190. EXCLUSIONS. (a) This chapter does not apply to any utility or municipality engaged in

(1) electrical construction and maintenance of electrical wiring for the generation and distribution of electrical current where the wiring is an integral part of a system owned and operated by that utility or municipal light and power department;

(2) the installation, operation, maintenance, or repair of telephone, telegraph, signal or communication systems when the work is performed by the employees of that utility.

(b) This chapter does not apply to any person engaged in

(1) the manufacture or repair of electrical apparatus or equipment;

(2) electrical work, the cost of which does not exceed \$5,000, involving residences or small commercial establishments in communities

(A) which have a population of under 500; or

(B) which are over 50 miles by air or water transportation from the business place of an electrical administrator licensed under this chapter;

1 (3) electrical installation on residential property which
2 is owned by the installer or a member of his immediate family and not
3 intended for sale at the time of making the installation;

4 (4) the operation, maintenance or repair of a television or
5 radio broadcasting system;

6 (5) the installation, maintenance and repair of elevators
7 so long as the work is performed by an agent or employee of the ele-
8 vator industry and is confined to the elevator control system, which
9 system does not include the power supply, wiring and motor connection.

10 (c) Work within the exclusionary provisions of this section is
11 nevertheless subject to the inspection provisions of sec. 70 of this
12 chapter and must follow the regulations regarding workmanship adopted
13 by the board.

14 * Sec. 12. AS 08.40.200(2) is amended to read:

15 (2) "electrical administrator [CONTRACTOR]" means any
16 person engaged in the business of, or purporting to be engaged in the
17 business of, installing or repairing, or contracting to install or
18 repair, electrical wiring, conduits, devices, fixtures, equipment, or
19 other electrical materials for transmitting, using or consuming elec-
20 trical energy.

21 * Sec. 13. AS 08.40.200 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

22 (4) "manufacture" means fabrication or completion of a
23 product or electrical apparatus exclusive of its completion or instal-
24 lation at a job site;

25 (5) "utility" means every corporation (whether public,
26 cooperative or otherwise), company, individual, or association of
27 individuals, their lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed by a
28 court, that owns, operates, manages, or controls any plant or system
29 for

1 (A) furnishing, by generation, transmission or distri-
2 bution, electrical service to the public for compensation;

3 (B) furnishing telecommunications service to the
4 public for compensation.

5 * Sec. 14. AS 08.40.100 and 08.40.160 are repealed.
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