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Committee on Labor & Commerce

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SUMMARY HB 274:

Amends section relating to minimum electrical standards. The 1981 (presently 1978) edition of the National Electrical Code and the latest published edition of the National Electrical Safety Code constitute the minimum electrical standards of the State. Amends Borough and city electrical codes by stating that the Department may by regulation adopt amendments to the 1981 (presently 1975) National Electrical Code as approved and issued by the American Standards Association.



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Committee Meeting Minutes:

27 May, 1981

The Senate Labor and Commerce Committee meeting was called to order by Senator Mulcahy at 3:04pm, and the first item of business was HB 314am. Representative Haugen, sponsor of the bill, provided testimony on the bill, and Senator Fahrenkamp made a motion to move the bill with individual recommendations.

Senator Mulcahy brought up HB 274, and a motion was made by Senator Fahrenkamp that the bill be moved from committee with individual recommendations.

Chairman Mulcahy brought up CS SB 318, and a motion was made by Senator Fahrenkamp that the bill be moved with individual recommendations.

The final piece of legislation addressed at the meeting was CS SB 552 and after a brief discussion by committee members, a motion was made by Senator Fahrenkamp that CS SB 552 move from committee with individual recommendations. The committee meeting was adjourned at 3:14pm.

SENATE

FURTHER: None

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Date: _____

Mr. President:

The Committee on LABOR & COMMERCE has had CSHB 274(L&C)
electrical codes

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee)
reports it back with the following recommendations:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for _____ same title
- new title
- and recommends _____
- AND attaches a "letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

Steve Schubert

Bill

Bob Mulcahy

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Bob Mulcahy
CHAIRMAN

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chapter may appeal in the manner prescribed by § 370 of this chapter. (§ 6 ch 106 SLA 1957)

Sec. 18.60.450. Violations and penalties. A person who violates a provision of §§ 400—460 of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 nor more than \$100. (§ 7 ch 106 SLA 1957)

Sec. 18.60.460. Enforcement of article. Federal, state and municipal law enforcement officers may enforce §§ 400—460 of this chapter. (§ 8 ch 106 SLA 1957)

Article 5. Radiation Protection Act.

Section
470—570. [Repealed]

Secs. 18.60.470—18.60.570.

Repealed by § 4 ch 120 SLA 1971, effective July 1, 1971.

Editor's note. — The repealed article derived from §§ 1—11, ch. 66, SLA 1957; §§ 1—4, ch. 51, S. A 1969; § 6, ch. 104, SLA 1971.

Section 5, ch. 120, SLA 1971, provides: "All litigation, hearings, investigations and other proceedings pending under any law amended or functions which may be transferred by this Act, continue in effect and may be continued and completed notwithstanding any such transfer or amendment provided for in this Act. Certificates, orders, rules or regulations issued or filed under authority of a law

amended by this Act or functions which may be transferred by this Act, remain in effect for the term issued, unless or until revoked, vacated, or otherwise modified under the provisions of this Act. All contracts or other obligations created by any law amended by this Act or by virtue of functions which may be transferred by this Act, and in effect on July 1, 1971, remain in effect unless or until revoked, or modified under the provisions of this Act."

Legislative committee report. — For report on ch. 120, SLA 1971 (SB 75 am H), see 1971 House Journal, p. 1016.

Article 6. Electrical Safety.

Section
580. Minimum electrical standards
590. Borough and city electrical safety codes
600. Powers and duties of the department
610. Delegation of authority

Section
620. Inspection fees.
630. Enforcement of compliance
640. Scope of work covered
650. Penalty for violations
660. Definitions.

Sec. 18.60.580. Minimum electrical standards. The Department of Labor shall adopt the 1971 published edition of the National Electrical Code approved by the American Standards Association, and the latest published edition as of August 5, 1969 of the National Electrical Safety Code issued by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Standards, as the minimum electrical safety standards of the state. (§ 1 ch 89 SLA 1969; and § 1 ch 37 SLA 1972)

Effect of amendment. — The 1972 amendment substituted "1971" for "1968" near the beginning of this section.

Sec. 18.60.590. Borough and city electrical safety codes. (a) The department may by regulation adopt amendments the 1971 National Electrical Code as approved and issued by the American Standards Association.

(b) This chapter does not affect the authority of any municipality or rural electrification association to prescribe by ordinance, rule, or order standards for their respective areas of jurisdiction not less stringent than the standards prescribed by the department or those established under § 580 of this chapter. (§ 1 ch 39 SLA 1969; am § 42 ch 69 SLA 1970; am § 29 ch 53 SLA 1973)

Effect of amendments. — The 1970 amendment substituted "adopt" for "incorporate into §§ 580—660 of this chapter" in subsection (a).

The 1973 amendment substituted "1971" for "1968" in subsection (a).

Legislative committee reports. — For report on ch. 69, SLA 1970 (HB 564), see 1970 House Journal Supplement No. 2, p. 7. For report on ch. 53, SLA 1973 (CSHB 382), see 1973 House Journal, pp. 793, 885.

Sec. 18.60.600. Powers and duties of the department. (a) The department may

(1) promulgate regulations to carry out the purposes of §§ 580 —660 of this chapter;

(2) inspect the electrical wiring of any place of employment or public structure in this state.

(b) The department shall

(1) keep a record of all inspection fees collected;

(2) keep a record of all electrical inspections conducted. (§ 1 ch 89 SLA 1969)

Sec. 18.60.610. Delegation of authority. Upon application to the department, a person, corporation, electric utility firm, public utility district, rural electrification association, or municipal utility district furnishing electrical current may be authorized by the commissioner to inspect the electrical wiring for a public or commercial structure as defined in § 660 of this chapter to which it is to furnish electrical current before energizing the electrical system on, in, or about the premises. Authorization by the commissioner under this section constitutes a grant of full authority to act within the provisions of §§ 580—660 of this chapter with the same immunities and privileges accorded to the state in the performance of these duties. A person or entity whose electrical wiring installation is found, by the authorized inspector, not to meet the standards prescribed has the right to appeal to the commissioner for a new inspection. The commissioner shall, within 15 days, furnish a new inspection by a designee not associated with the person, firm or utility who did the original inspection. (§ 1 ch 89 SLA 1969)

Sec. 18.60.620. Inspection fees. A person, corporation, electric utility firm, public utility district, rural electrification association or municipal utility district authorized under § 610 of this chapter to

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