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HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: January 26, 1990

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 4/24/90

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The LABOR & COMMERCE Committee considered:

CSSB 357(L&C)

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 357 (L&C)

ELECTRIC CODES

"An Act relating to the state, borough, and city electric codes."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- be replaced with _____ the same title
- have attached amendment(s) a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s):
(Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

(Date/Dept)

- fiscal impact _____
- zero fiscal note _____
- zero with analysis _____
- fiscal note(s) _____
- zero fiscal note(s) _____
- zero fn/analysis _____

Senate

LABOR Public Safety
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SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING:

(Check approp. column)

Do Not Pass
No Rec
Amend

<i>Dave Donley</i>			
<i>Mark Boyer</i>			
<i>John Finkelstein</i>			
<i>Ron Leman</i>			
<i>John Collins</i>			
<i>Bob Boucher</i>			
<i>Max Greenberg</i>			

Dave Donley
Chairman's Signature

Bill No: Committee Substitute for
Senate Bill 357 (L&C)

Date: January 29, 1990

Title: "An Act relating to the state,
borough, and city electric
codes."

Contact: Tom Stuart
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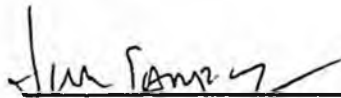
The National Electrical Code and the National Electrical Safety Code establish the State's minimum electrical standards.

These codes are updated every three years, and the 1990 editions are the most recent effort in this regard. The 1987 codes presently in effect for the State of Alaska, are, therefore, outdated and will not be reprinted.

Adoption of the 1990 codes as proposed in this bill will bring Alaska's minimum standards into conformity with those commonly accepted and used by industry across the nation. The latest editions of the codes are also commonly adopted by political subdivisions in the state as the minimum standards enforced under their building inspection programs.

The Department supports Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 357 (L&C) which provides for adoption of the 1990 National Electrical Code and National Electrical Safety Code. It will not have a fiscal impact on the Department.

APPROVED:



Jim Sampson, Commissioner
Department of Labor

POSITION PAPER/Department of Labor

Alaska State Legislature



SENATOR JIM DUNCAN

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DEVELOPMENT

TO: REPRESENTATIVE DAVE DONLEY
CHAIR
LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

FROM: SENATOR JIM DUNCAN

REGARDS: REQUEST FOR HEARING ON CSSB 357 (L&C)

DATE: JANUARY 29, 1990

I WOULD APPRECIATE THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE HEARING FOR CSSB 357 (L&C) BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE.

THIS BILL AMENDS ALASKA STATUTE 18.60 TO REFLECT THE 1990 UPDATE OF MINIMUM ELECTRICAL STANDARDS APPROVED BY THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE AND PUBLISHED IN THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE. THE MEASURE WILL ALLOW THE ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO ITS REGULATIONS TO COMPLY WITH THE UPDATED STANDARDS. SINCE MINIMUM ELECTRICAL STANDARDS ARE ADDRESSED IN ALASKA STATUTE, THIS BILL IS NECESSARY TO KEEP ABREAST OF THESE CHANGES.

THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE MADE A MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE ORIGINAL BILL TO REFLECT THE EXACT NAME OF THE AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE IN LINE 20. THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SUGGESTED THIS AMENDMENT. CURRENT STATUTE READS THIS WAY AND THE COMMITTEE TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO CLEAN UP THE LANGUAGE.

ATTACHED ARE POSITION PAPERS IN SUPPORT OF THIS MEASURE AND ZERO FISCAL NOTES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PUBLIC SAFETY AND LABOR.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND CONSIDERATION OF THIS REQUEST.

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Bill No Senate Bill 357

Date: January 16, 1990

Title: "An Act relating to the state, borough, and city electric codes."

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264-2452

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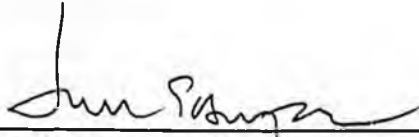
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Adoption of the 1990 codes as proposed in Senate Bill 357 will bring Alaska's minimum standards into conformity with those commonly accepted and used by industry across the nation. The latest editions of the codes are also commonly adopted by political subdivisions in the state as the minimum standards enforced under their building inspection programs.

The Department supports Senate Bill 357 which provides for adoption of the 1990 National Electrical Code and National Electrical Safety Code. It will not have a fiscal impact on the Department.

APPROVED:



Jim Sampson, Commissioner
Department of Labor

POSITION PAPER/Department of Labor

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: CSSB 357 (L&C)

PUBLISH DATE: _____

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Labor
 Title: "An Act relating to the state, borough, and city electric codes." BRU: Labor Standards & Safety
 Sponsor: Duncan Components: Mechanical Inspection
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND&STRUCTURES						
GRANTS,CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Note: there is no fiscal impact in FY 90.

Prepared by: Tom Stuart, Director Phone: 465-2712
 Division: Labor Standards & Safety Date: 1/19/90
 Approved by Commissioner: Jim Sampson Date: 1/19/90
 Agency: Department of Labor

Distribution (by preparer) :
 Legislative Finance
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STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION : SB 357
PUBLISH DATE : _____

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Labor
 Title: "An Act relating to the state, borrough, and city electric codes." BRU: Labor Standards & Safety
 Sponsor: Duncan Components: Mechanical Inspection
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND&STRUCTURES						
GRANTS,CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Tom Stuart, Director Phone: 465-2712
 Division: Labor Standards & Safety Date: 1/16/90
 Approved by Commissioner: Jim Sampson Date: 1/16/90
 Agency: Department of Labor

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SB 357: "An Act relating to the state, borough, and city electric codes."

The Department of Commerce and Economic Development supports the passage of SB 357. This proposed legislation amends electrical safety provisions in AS 18.60.580 to adopt the 1990 editions of the National Electrical Codes.

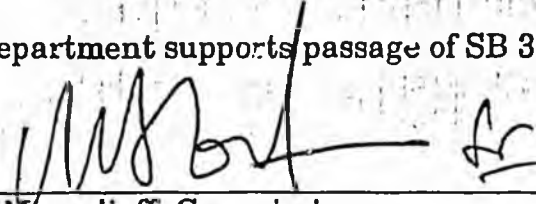
The Board of Electrical Examiners (hereinafter "board") within the Division of Occupational Licensing (hereinafter "division") supports this adoption of the most up-to-date editions of the National Electrical Code and the National Electrical Safety Code.

The board now utilizes and administers an electrical administrator exam written by the National Assessment Institute (NAI). NAI routinely revises its exam to incorporate in its exam questions the most current electrical safety standards. It is, therefore, important that Alaska also adopt the most current national standards; if we fail to do so, then Alaska is forced to continue to test on the outdated standards and use past exams no longer actively validated by the testing institute.

The stated purpose of the Board of Electrical Examiners "is to protect the safety of people and property in the state from the danger of improperly installed electrical wiring and equipment" by providing procedures to assure "the public that persons responsible for making electrical installations in this state are qualified" (see AS 08.40.005).

The board believes that it can only achieve this mandated purpose if the state is testing on the most current national electrical safety standards and if all presently licensed electrical administrators are inspecting and approving electrical installations that are installed according to the most up-to-date safety standards available.

For the reasons stated above, the department supports passage of SB 357.


Larry Mercurieff, Commissioner

Date: 12/1/90

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
 Title: An Act relating to the state,
borough, and city electric codes.
 Sponsor: Senator Duncan
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce

Agency Affected: Commerce & Economic Dev.
 BRU: Occupational Licensing

Components: All

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill updates the minimum electrical standards to reference the current electrical codes. New funds are not required to implement this bill.

Prepared by: Jennifer Strickler, Administrative Officer
 Division: Occupational Licensing

Phone: 465-2144
 Date: 1-16-90

Approved by Commissioner: Larry Merculieff
 Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

Date: 12/17/89

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BILL NO SB 357

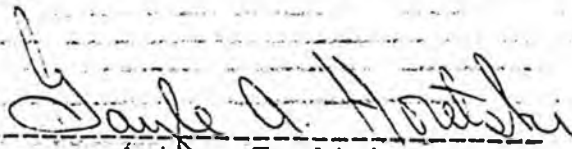
DATE: January 17, 1990

TITLE: An act relating to state, CONTACT: Gordon Brunton
borough, and city electric codes 465-4331

This bill adopts the 1990 National Electrical Code and the 1990 National Electrical Safety Code, replacing the 1987 editions.

These changes will predominately affect the Department of Labor, Division of Labor Standards and Safety. The Division of Fire Prevention, Department of Public Safety utilizes these national codes in a limited manner in its fire and life safety code enforcement program.

The Department of Public Safety supports passage of SB 357.

for 
Arthur English
Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY

POSTER

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____ Agency Affected: Public Safety
 Title: An act relating to state, borough, and city electric codes BRU: Fire Prevention
 Sponsor: Senator Duncan Component: Fire Prevention
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce Operations

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars) (Inflation not included)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER/PROG RCPT						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

No fiscal impact.

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1/17/90
Prepared by: Gordon E. Brunton
Division: Fire Prevention

Phone: 465-4331
Date: 1/17/90

Approved by Commissioner: Arthur English
Agency: Department of Public Safety

Date: 1-18-90
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