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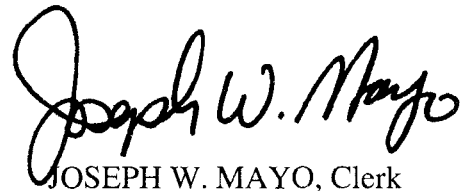
H.P. 1619

House of Representatives, December 9, 1999

An Act to Provide Equity Between Private and Public Electrical Training Programs.

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 203.

Received by the Clerk of the House on December 7, 1999. Referred to the Committee on Business and Economic Development pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield.
Cosponsored by Senator DAGGETT of Kennebec and
Representatives: CHIZMAR of Lisbon, FISHER of Brewer, HEIDRICH of Oxford,
McKENNEY of Cumberland, Senator: FERGUSON of Oxford.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1101, sub-§4-A, as amended by PL 1995, c. 325, §5, is further amended to read:

4-A. Supervision. One apprentice electrician or one helper electrician may work with and under the supervision of each master electrician, limited electrician or journeyman electrician. A master electrician who teaches an electrical course at a Maine applied technology center, a Maine applied technology region ~~or~~, a Maine technical college or a Maine-registered apprenticeship program may have a maximum of 12 helper or apprentice electricians under direct supervision while making electrical installations that are a part of the instructional program of the school, as long as the total value of each installation does not exceed \$2,500. An electrical installation may not be commenced pursuant to this subsection without the prior approval of the director or president of the school at which the master electrician is an instructor. These installations are limited to those done in buildings or facilities owned or controlled by:

A. School administrative units;

B. Nonprofit organizations; and

C. Households as defined in Title 36, sections 6206 and 6207.

The Electricians' Examining Board and the municipal electrical inspector of the municipality in which the installation is to be made, if the municipality has an inspector, must be notified of all installation projects entered into pursuant to this subsection prior to the commencement of the project. There must be an inspection by a state electrical inspector or by the municipal electrical inspector of the municipality in which the installation has been made, if the municipality has an inspector, before any wiring on the project is concealed.

SUMMARY

This bill allows a Maine-registered apprenticeship program to have a maximum of 12 helper or apprentice electricians under direct supervision, consistent with current requirements for public electrical training programs run by accredited educational institutions. Presently, private electrical training programs must provide one journeyman for every trainee.