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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Shaw of Chelsea.

STATE OF MAINE

**IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE**

AN ACT Revising the Laws Relating to Electricians.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows.

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 32, § 1101, sub-§7, amended. The last sentence of subsection 7 of section 1101 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 498 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

The annual fee for a limited electrician's license shall be ~~§5~~ \$20.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 1101, sub-§ 8, additional. Section 1101 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 8 to read as follows:

8. Restricted employment by type S and limited licensees. Persons licensed under subsections 6 and 7 shall not employ journeymen, apprentice or helper electricians.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 32, § 1102, amended. The first sentence of section 1102 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

This chapter shall not apply to the following, provided that in the case of the employers referred to in subsection 1 to 7 the work is performed by a regular employee of such employer:

Sec. 4. R. S., T. 32, § 1104-A, repealed. Section 1104-A of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 498 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed.

Sec. 5. R. S., T. 32, § 1105, amended. Section 1105 of Title 32 of the Re-

vised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 5 of chapter 385 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1105. Penalty for violation

Any person who ~~engages in the business of installing~~ installs electrical wires, conduits, apparatus, fixtures or other electrical equipment in the State ~~or installs the same for compensation~~ without having a license in effect ~~hereunder under this chapter~~ or any person who, ~~being himself in the business,~~ employs a person to do such work who has not such a license then in effect, unless he is an apprentice electrician or holder electrician as set forth in this chapter or unless the persons or work is exempted under section 1102, or any person who procures a license ~~hereunder under this chapter~~ wrongfully or by fraud, or any person who violates this chapter, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months, or both.

Nothing in this chapter shall prevent a person from making electrical installations in a single family residence occupied or to be occupied by him as his bona fide personal abode, providing such installation conforms with the standards of the National Electric Code.

Sec. 6. R. S., T. 32, § 1156, amended. The last sentence of section 1156 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 7 of chapter 385 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

The board ~~shall at least once each biennium~~ may publish a roster of all licensees which shall be available at cost to the public.

Sec. 7. R. S., T. 32, § 1201, amended. Section 1201 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 1201. License required

No electrical installations shall be made for ~~compensation another person, firm or corporation,~~ except as provided in this chapter, unless made by ~~an electrician or other~~ a person licensed by the board.

Sec. 8. R. S., T. 32, § 1205, amended. Section 1205 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

§ 1205. Corporations and partnerships

The board ~~may~~ shall issue its license to corporations and partnerships engaged in the business of making electrical installations and applying therefor, provided one or more officers or employees of any such corporation directly in charge of the ~~business affairs~~ electrical installations of such corporation, or the members of such partnership directly in charge of its ~~business affairs,~~ apply for the examinations provided electrical installations holds a valid master electrician's license and shall satisfy the board of their qualifications ~~as electricians.~~ If a journeyman electrician is employed by a corporation, the corporation must have a master's license.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify and remove ambiguities from the present Electricians' Examining Board Law.