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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 599

H.P. 419

House of Representatives, February 19, 1985

Reference to the Committee on Business and Commerce suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Theriault of Fort Kent.

Cosponsored by Representative Clark of Millinocket and Representative Duffy of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE

**AN ACT to Reduce the Hours Required for
Master and Journeymen Electricians.**

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

32 MRSA §1202, sub-§1, ¶A, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 670, is amended to read:

A. For a journeyman electrician's or limited license, at least ~~8,000~~ 6,000 hours of service as an apprentice or helper electrician or at least ~~8,000~~ 6,000 hours of experience in electrical installations as defined in section 1101, and satisfactory completion of a program of study comprising 576 hours as approved by the Electricians' Examining Board and completion of a course of not less than 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code, the course to be approved by the board. A graduate of a regional vocational high school 2-year electrical program approved by the Electricians' Examining Board shall be eligible

1 to write the journeyman's examination, as long as
2 he has worked for ~~8,000~~ 6,000 hours in the field
3 of electrical installations under the supervision
4 of a master electrician or the equivalent. Any
5 person who has at least 2 years' service as an
6 apprentice or helper electrician may take the ex-
7 amination for a journeyman's or limited license
8 and shall receive a license if he passes, pro-
9 vided that he was licensed as an apprentice or
10 helper electrician under subsection 3 on January
11 1, 1981, that he applies for the examination in
12 accordance with section 1203 before January 1,
13 1983, and that he takes the examination within 6
14 months of his becoming eligible to do so. Upon
15 the effective date of this paragraph, the board
16 shall notify, by certified mail, return receipt
17 requested, all persons who were licensed as ap-
18 prentice or helper electricians on January 1,
19 1981, of the provisions of the preceding sen-
20 tence. For a master electrician's license, at
21 least 4,000 hours of service as a journeyman
22 electrician or at least ~~12,000~~ 8,000 hours of
23 service as an apprentice or helper electrician or
24 at least ~~12,000~~ 8,000 hours of experience in
25 electrical installations, as defined in section
26 1101, and satisfactory completion of a program of
27 study comprising 576 hours as approved by the
28 Electricians' Examining Board and completion of a
29 course of not less than 45 hours in the current
30 National Electrical Code, the course to be ap-
31 proved by the Electricians' Examining Board; and

32 STATEMENT OF FACT

33 The purpose of this bill is to reduce the number
34 of hours of experience required to qualify for a
35 master electrician's and journeyman electrician's li-
36 cense.

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