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House of Representatives, April 29, 1991

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27.  
Reference to the Committee on Business Legislation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative KETOVER of Portland. (By Request)  
Cosponsored by Representative HOGLUND of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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**An Act Requiring Plumbers and Electricians to Demonstrate Financial  
Responsibility.**

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(AFTER DEADLINE)



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

4 Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1106 is enacted to read:

6 §1106. Requirement of financial responsibility

8 1. Insurance requirement. Any person independently engaged  
10 in the trade as an electrician or any person, firm or corporation  
12 employing persons to engage in electrical installations shall  
14 maintain at all times liability insurance sufficient to respond  
16 in damages for any liability incurred arising out of the practice  
18 of the trade in an amount to be established by rule by the  
20 Electricians' Examining Board.

22 2. Alternate proof of financial responsibility. As an  
24 alternative to the insurance requirement provided in subsection  
26 1, the Electricians' Examining Board may promulgate rules for the  
28 acceptance of proof of financial ability to self-insure.

30 3. Exception. Any person providing electrical services  
32 without compensation is exempt from the requirements under  
34 subsections 1 and 2.

36 Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §3304, sub-§1, as repealed and replaced by PL  
38 1983, c. 413, §140, is amended to read:

40 1. Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation who engages  
42 in or works in plumbing without first obtaining a license as  
44 required by this chapter, or after the license has expired or has  
46 been suspended or revoked or temporarily suspended or revoked, or  
48 has violated any other provision of this chapter or rules adopted  
50 under this chapter is guilty of a Class E crime.

34 Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §3306 is enacted to read:

36 §3306. Requirement of financial responsibility

38 1. Insurance requirement. Any person independently engaged  
40 in the trade as a plumber or any person, firm or corporation  
42 employing persons to engage in plumbing shall maintain at all  
44 times liability insurance sufficient to respond in damages for  
46 any liability incurred arising out of the practice of the trade  
48 in an amount to be established by rule by the Plumbers' Examining  
50 Board.

46 2. Alternate proof of financial responsibility. As an  
48 alternative to the insurance requirement provided in subsection  
50 1, the Plumbers' Examining Board may promulgate rules for the  
acceptance of proof of financial ability to self-insure.

