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**BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

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**STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
119TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to H.P. 1619, L.D. 2266, Bill, "An Act to Provide Equity Between Private and Public Electrical Training Programs"

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 4-A by striking out all of the first paragraph (page 1, lines 6 to 21 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

**'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 an apprenticeship program registered by the Department of Labor 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 or apprenticeship program, as long as the total value of each installation does not exceed ~~\$2,500~~ \$5,000. An electrical installation may not be commenced pursuant to this subsection without the prior approval of the director or president of the school or apprenticeship program at which the master electrician is an instructor. These installations are limited to those done in buildings or facilities owned or controlled by:'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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The Department of Professional and Financial Regulation will incur some minor additional costs to revise its rules. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.

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The Judicial Department may realize some minor savings from reductions of workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of cases that will no longer be filed in the court system. Reductions in the collection of fines may decrease General Fund revenue by minor amounts.'

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**SUMMARY**

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The original bill allows a Maine-registered apprenticeship program to have a maximum of 12 helper or apprentice electricians under direct supervision of a master electrician. This amendment clarifies that this section applies to apprenticeship programs that are registered by the Department of Labor. The amendment also increases the maximum total value of each installation from \$2,500 to \$5,000. The amendment also adds a fiscal note to the bill.

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