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House of Representatives, February 15, 2001

An Act to Authorize Master Electricians to Work with up to 3 Helpers.

Reference to the Committee on Business and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative McNEIL of Rockland.
Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox and
Representatives: COLLINS of Wells, O'BRIEN of Augusta, SULLIVAN of Biddeford,
TRAHAN of Waldoboro, Senators: KILKELLY of Lincoln, LEMONT of York, McALEVEY
of York, O'GARA of Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1101, sub-§4-A,** as amended by PL 1999, c.
606, §1, is further amended to read:

6 **4-A. Supervision.** One apprentice electrician or one helper
8 electrician may work with and under the supervision of each
9 ~~master---electrician,~~ limited electrician or journeyman
10 electrician. Three helper electricians may work with and under
11 the supervision of each master electrician. A master electrician
12 who teaches an electrical course at a Maine applied technology
13 center, a Maine applied technology region, a Maine technical
14 college or an apprenticeship program registered by the Department
15 of Labor may have a maximum of 12 helper or apprentice
16 electricians under direct supervision while making electrical
17 installations that are a part of the instructional program of the
18 school or apprenticeship program, as long as the total value of
19 each installation does not exceed \$5,000. An electrical
20 installation may not be commenced pursuant to this subsection
21 without the prior approval of the director or president of the
22 school or apprenticeship program at which the master electrician
23 is an instructor. These installations are limited to those done
24 in buildings or facilities owned or controlled by:

25 A. School administrative units;

26 B. Nonprofit organizations; and

27 C. Households as defined in Title 36, sections 6206 and
30 6207.

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

42 **SUMMARY**

44 This bill allows a master electrician to work with 3 helper
46 electricians instead of one.