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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Quinn of Bangor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Revising Law Relating to Licensing of Electricians.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 82, § 2, repealed and replaced. Section 2 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section one of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 2. Definitions. The following words and phrases when used in sections 1 to 14, inclusive, shall be construed as follows:

I. “Electrical installation” shall mean the installation, repair, alteration and maintenance of electrical conductors, fittings, devices and fixtures for heating, lighting and power purposes. They shall not include the installation or repair of portable appliances and other portable electrical equipment, installation of which involves only the insertion of an attachment plug into a receptacle outlet.

II. An “electrician” shall mean any person, firm or corporation that, as a business, hires or employs a person or persons to make electrical installations, or without hiring any person does such work as a principal business or as auxiliary to a principal business for his or its own account, or any person who customarily performs such work under the direction of another electrician or who does such work as a regular part-time occupation.

III. The words “apprentice electrician” shall mean a person who is as defined in sections 148 to 154, inclusive, of chapter 30 and who is engaged in learning and assisting in making electrical installations under the direct supervision of an electrician.

IV. The words "helper electrician" shall mean a person who is engaged in assisting in making electrical installations under the direct supervision of an electrician. The fees for such license shall be \$4.

V. A specified electrician's license to install and service the electrical work related to a specific type of electrically operated equipment shall be granted to any person who has passed a satisfactory examination before the State Board of Examiners of Electricians. It shall specify the name of such person who shall be limited to engage in the occupation of installing and servicing the electrical work related to the type of equipment only authorized by this license. The fee for a specified license shall be \$10 for each year.

VI. "The Board" shall be the Electricians Examining Board appointed under the provisions of section 3.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 82, § 3, amended. The last sentence of section 3 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 2 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The members of the Board shall each be allowed the sum of ~~\$15~~ \$20 per day and their necessary travelling expenses for actual attendance upon an examination of candidates for license, and for any necessary hearings.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 82, § 8, amended. Section 8 of chapter 82 of the the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 6 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 8. Renewal of licenses. All licenses issued ~~as foreshaid~~ shall expire one year from date of issue, and they may be renewed thereafter for periods of one year without further examination on payment of a fee of ~~\$5 for a master's license, \$2 for a journeyman's license, \$1 for a limited, apprentice or helper's license, commencing January 1, 1956~~ \$10 for each year for an electrician license, \$10 for a specified license and \$3 for an apprentice or helper license.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 82, § 13-A, amended. Section 13-A of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 8 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 13-A. Funds for enforcement. The Insurance Commissioner is hereby empowered to expend up to ~~20%~~ 30% of the funds ~~accrued~~ accruing to the ~~Electricians Examining~~ Board for the employment of one or more state fire inspectors, subject to the provisions of the Personnel Law, to assist in the enforcement of the provisions of this chapter and for the purchase of necessary electrical testing equipment.'