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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

## STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Revising Statutes 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, sub-§ III, amended. Subsection III of section 2 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 1 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'III.** The words "journeyman electrician" as used in this ehapter shall mean a person doing work of installing electrical wires, conduits, apparatus, fixtures and other electrical equipment in the employment of a master electrician. Each master electrician or journeyman electrician may have one apprentice electrician, or one helper electrician working with him and under his personal supervision.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 82, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 5 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 7. Examinations for license. Each applicant for license shall present to the executive secretary of the Board on blanks furnished by the Board, a written application for examination and license, containing such information as the Board may require, accompanied by the required fee of \$10 for a master's license, \$5 for a journeyman's license or \$3 for a limited license. Examinations shall be in whole or in part in writing and shall be of a thorough and practical character. They shall include such provisions of the National Electric Electrical Code as the Board may deem appropriate. Any person failing to pass his first

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such examination may be re-examined at any subsequent meeting of said Board, within one year of such first examination without additional fee and thereafter may be examined as often as he may desire upon the payment of the required fee as set forth above. Existing licenses shall be recognized as valid until expiration and equal to a journeyman's license, or may be exchanged for a master's license upon payment of the additional fee and either satisfactory proof of qualifications or passing of the necessary examinations.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 82, § 8, amended. Section 8 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by section 6 of chapter 413 of the public laws of 1955, is hereby amended to read as follows: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 aforesaid shall expire one year from date of issue and they may shall 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.'

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 82, § 9, amended. Section 9 of chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 9. Corporations and partnerships may be licensed. The Board may shall issue its license to corporations and partnerships engaged in the business of making electrical installations and applying therefor, provided that one or more officers or employees of any such corporation directly in charge of the business affairs of such corporation, or the members of such partnership directly in charge of its business affairs, apply for the examinations hereinbefore provided and satisfy the Board of their qualifications as electricians.'

Sec. 5. 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% 50% of the funds accrued 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.'

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