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graduation if application is made within one year of graduation; or

(4) Be an electrical apprentice registered with the Maine State Apprenticeship and Training Council and have completed 576 hours of related instruction, as defined in this paragraph, prescribed in their apprenticeship program, the 8,000-hour approved program and a course of not less than 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code, the course to be approved by the board. Persons qualifying under this paragraph may write the journeyman's examination after completion of the 576 hours of instruction, if application is made within one year of the completion of the instruction.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §1202, sub-§1, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 395, Pt. B, §7, is amended to read:

> D. For a journeyman-in-training electricians' license, a person must be a graduate of an accredited Maine vocational-technical institute <u>or Department of Corrections vocational-</u>electrical program, receive a passing grade on the journeyman examination and complete 2,000 hours of experience. This provision shall be reviewed by the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over business legislation by March 1, 1991, and, unless continued by law, shall terminate at this time.

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### CHAPTER 126

#### H.P. 109 - L.D. 146

An Act to Provide Greater Power to the Maine District Court in Emancipation Proceedings

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

Sec. 1. 15 MRSA §3506-A, sub-§2-A is enacted to read:

2-A. Mediation. Upon the filing of a petition and prior to a hearing under this section, the court may refer the parties to mediation. Any agreement reached by the parties through mediation on any issues shall be stated in writing, signed by the parties and presented to the court for approval as a court order.

Sec. 2. 15 MRSA §3506-A, sub-§7 is enacted to read:

7. Public proceeding; exception. Notwithstanding section 3307, subsection 2, paragraph B, the court shall not exclude the public unless the minor or the minor's parent or parents, guardian or custodian, requests that the public be excluded and the minor or the minor's parent or parents, guardian or custodian, does not object. If the public is excluded, only the parties, their attorneys, court officers and witnesses may be present.

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### CHAPTER 127

#### S.P. 145 - L.D. 265

#### An Act to Clarify and Make Changes to the Statute Governing the Operation of the Department of Corrections

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

Sec. 1. 34-A MRSA §1210, sub-§4, ¶D, as enacted by PL 1985, c. 821, §18, is amended to read:

D. By August 1st and February 1st of each calendar year, the county shall provide, in a format provided by the Department of Corrections, a copy of actual expenditures for the support of prisoners for the previous 12 months calendar year. The Department of Audit shall establish, in consultation with the counties and the Department of Corrections, a uniform system of accounting for the support of prisoners for the counties pursuant to its authority in Title 5, section 243 and consistent with the requirements of this section. No county may be reimbursed after July 1, 1987, until it has implemented the uniform accounting system for the expenditure for support of prisoners.

Sec. 2. 34-A MRSA §1210, sub-§5, as amended by PL 1987, c. 335, §§1, 2, is further amended to read:

5. Adjustment to the reimbursement. Beginning July 1, 1987, the Commissioner of Corrections shall, semiannually; set annually the reimbursement for each county to include all actual costs for the support of prisoners. The actual cost for the support of prisoners shall be calculated on the basis of the previous 12 months calendar year, for each county, by dividing costs for prisoner support by the total number of days prisoners are detained in that county and prisoners committed to that county serve. Support of prisoners shall include the following line items:

- A. Personal Services;
- B. Contractual Services:
  - (1) Professional fees and services:

(a) Medical, dental and psychological;