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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 901, L.D. 1240, Bill, “An Act To Provide Career and Technical Training Options for Electricians”

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1202-A, sub-§2, ¶B, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 198, §17, is amended to read:

B. In order to obtain a license under this subsection, a person must first pass an examination approved by the board and provide evidence of having:

(1) Worked at least 8,000 hours in the field of electrical installations as a licensed helper electrician or apprentice electrician under the direct supervision of a master electrician, journeyman electrician or limited electrician or having at least 8,000 hours of work experience in electrical installations, and having completed a program of study consisting of 576 hours as approved by the board or from an accredited institution. The 576 hours must consist of 225 hours of required study, including an approved course of 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code, and 351 hours of elective study that is either composed of all trade-related electives or 225 hours of trade-related courses and 135 hours of degree-related courses;

(2) ~~Graduated from an accredited regional applied technology high school 2-year electrical program~~ graduated from a secondary school career and technical electrical education program approved pursuant to Title 20-A, section 8306-B, worked at least 8,000 hours in the field of electrical installations as a licensed helper electrician under the direct supervision of a master electrician, journeyman electrician or limited electrician and completed a course of 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code. A graduate of a secondary school career and technical electrical education program approved pursuant to Title 20-A, section 8306-B is credited 1,000 hours of work experience in electrical installations and is qualified to sit for the examination;

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1 (3) Graduated from an accredited community college electrical program or a
2 vocational-electrical program of a state department of corrections and having
3 worked at least 8,000 hours in the field of electrical installations as a licensed
4 helper electrician, under the direct supervision of a master electrician,
5 journeyman electrician or limited electrician, and having completed a course of
6 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code. Graduates of a community
7 college electrical program or a vocational-electrical program of a state
8 department of corrections are credited 4,000 hours of work experience in
9 electrical installations and are qualified to sit for the examination;

10 (4) Worked at least 8,000 hours as a licensed apprentice electrician in the field of
11 electrical installations under the direct supervision of a master electrician,
12 journeyman electrician or limited electrician, having completed a program of
13 study comprising at least 576 hours prescribed in an apprenticeship program
14 approved by the board and having completed a course of 45 hours in the current
15 National Electrical Code. A licensed apprentice who has completed an approved
16 apprenticeship program of study and has worked at least 4,000 hours as a
17 licensed apprentice electrician is qualified to sit for the examination; or

18 (5) Comparable work experience or education or training, or a combination of
19 work experience, education and training, completed within the State or outside
20 the State, that is acceptable to the board.'

21 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
22 section number to read consecutively.

23 **SUMMARY**

24 This amendment strikes and replaces the bill. The amendment amends the
25 requirements for licensure as a journeyman electrician to credit graduates of a secondary
26 school career and technical electrical education program approved pursuant to the Maine
27 Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 8306-B with 1,000 hours of work experience in
28 electrical installations and makes it clear that such graduates are eligible to sit for the
29 journeyman examination.