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

Amend the amendment in section 1 by striking out all of paragraph B (page 1, lines
16 to 37 and page 2, lines 1 to 20 in amendment) and inserting the following:

'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. A graduate of a secondary school career and technical education
electrical 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. The 1,000 hours credited under this subparagraph may not be
applied to any other pathway to licensure described in this subsection;

~~(2) Graduated from an accredited regional applied technology high school 2-year
electrical program, 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;~~

(3) Graduated from an accredited community college electrical program or a
vocational-electrical program of a state department of corrections and having
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 having completed a course of

1 45 hours in the current National Electrical Code. Graduates of a community
2 college electrical program or a vocational-electrical program of a state
3 department of corrections are credited 4,000 hours of work experience in
4 electrical installations and are qualified to sit for the examination;

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

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

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This amendment clarifies the language in Committee Amendment "A" regarding the
18 requirements for licensure as a journeyman electrician. Under this amendment, graduates
19 of a secondary school career and technical education electrical program approved
20 pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 8306-B are credited with
21 1,000 hours of work experience in electrical installations and are eligible to sit for the
22 journeyman examination. This amendment specifically provides that the 1,000 hours
23 credited may not be applied to any other pathway to licensure.

24 **SPONSORED BY:** _____

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