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By: **Senator Baker**

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Assigned to: Economic and Environmental Affairs

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2                                   **Cecil County - Board of Electrical Examiners - Appointment and Licensing**  
3                                   **Fees and Requirements**

4 FOR the purpose of repealing a requirement that certain appointees of the Cecil  
5 County Board of Electrical Examiners be recommended to the Board of County  
6 Commissioners of Cecil County by the Cecil County Electrical Contractors  
7 Association; increasing certain licensing fees by a certain amount; requiring the  
8 issuance of certain subsequent licenses to be subject to the payment of a certain  
9 fee and evidence of completion of continuing education as required and approved  
10 by the Board; and generally relating to the appointment and licensing authority  
11 of the Cecil County Board of Electrical Examiners.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 The Public Local Laws of Cecil County  
14 Section 99-1, 99-14 C., and 99-16  
15 Article 8 - Public Local Laws of Maryland  
16 (1989 Edition and October 2000 Supplement, as amended)

17 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
18 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

19                                   **Article 8 - Cecil County**

20 99-1.

21 The Board of County Commissioners of Cecil County shall, on or before July 1,  
22 1978, appoint a board which shall be known as the Board of Electrical Examiners,  
23 consisting of five (5) persons for the purpose of examining into the qualifications and  
24 capabilities of all persons who are engaged in, or desire to engage in, the business of  
25 master electrician, as defined in this chapter. The Board so appointed shall consist of  
26 three (3) competent practical electricians who have been duly licensed in Cecil County  
27 as master electricians for at least three (3) consecutive years prior to appointment  
28 [and shall be selected from a list of six (6) names recommended to the Board of  
29 County Commissioners by the Cecil County Electrical Contractors Association], one  
30 (1) building contractor who shall be selected from a list of three (3) names

1 recommended to the Board of County Commissioners by the Cecil County Building  
2 Contractors Association and one (1) electrical inspector who shall be conducting  
3 electrical inspections in Cecil County as a representative of a recognized electrical  
4 inspection authority. All appointed members shall be residents for at least three (3)  
5 years and registered voters of Cecil County at the time of their appointments and for  
6 the duration of their terms. If a vacancy occurs for any cause during the term of a  
7 board member as herein provided for, the Board of County Commissioners shall  
8 appoint someone to fill the vacancy. If the vacancy occurs among the practical  
9 electricians or if the building contractor position becomes vacant, the Board of County  
10 Commissioners shall appoint someone from a list of two (2) names recommended by  
11 the electrical contractors association or the building contractors association, as  
12 applicable. The Board of County Commissioners shall have full power to remove any  
13 member of the Board for incompetency or improper conduct by satisfactory evidence  
14 being presented to it or them of such condition. One of the members appointed shall  
15 serve a term of one (1) year, two (2) of the members appointed shall serve terms of two  
16 (2) years, and two (2) of the members appointed shall serve terms of three (3) years.  
17 All appointments for successors to the members appointed shall be for terms of three  
18 (3) years.

19 99-14.

20 C. Each resident applicant shall pay to the Treasurer of the Board of Electrical  
21 Examiners the sum of [thirty-five dollars (\$35.)] FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.), and each  
22 nonresident applicant shall pay a fee equal to the fee charged in their county, but not  
23 less than [thirty-five dollars (\$35.)] FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.). Each out-of-state  
24 applicant shall pay a fee equal to the fee charged in their state, but not less than  
25 seventy-five dollars (\$75.) for such license, and provided, further, that every person  
26 before receiving a license shall furnish to the Board proof that the person carries  
27 general liability and property damage insurance in the amounts required by Article  
28 56, § 535(D), of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

29 99-16.

30 A. Each [and every] license issued under the provisions of this chapter shall be  
31 evidence in any court of Cecil County of the business for which the license IS issued  
32 for a period not to exceed one (1) year from the date hereof. All licenses [and renewals  
33 of same] shall expire on the first day of May in each year.

34 B. ISSUANCE OF ANY SUBSEQUENT LICENSE AFTER THE INITIAL LICENSE  
35 ISSUED UNDER THIS CHAPTER IS SUBJECT TO PAYMENT OF THE APPLICATION FEE  
36 ESTABLISHED UNDER § 99-14 OF THIS CHAPTER AND EVIDENCE OF SATISFACTORY  
37 COMPLETION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION AS REQUIRED AND APPROVED BY THE  
38 BOARD.

39 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
40 October 1, 2001.