

SENATE BILL 456

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-- Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Economic Matters --

Introduced by **Senator Pinsky (Chairman, Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
Subcommittee)**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this
____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, ____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **State Board of Master Electricians - Sunset Extension and Program**
3 **Evaluation**

4 FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Master Electricians in accordance
5 with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (Sunset Law) by
6 extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory
7 and regulatory authority of the Board; ~~requiring applicants for a State master~~
8 ~~electrician license or renewal of a State license to report the number and~~
9 ~~jurisdiction of all other master electrician licenses held by the applicant;~~
10 requiring local licensing jurisdictions to report to the State Board the initiation
11 of disciplinary action against licensed master electricians within a certain time
12 period; requiring the State Board to notify ~~certain~~ *local* licensing jurisdictions
13 when the State Board is notified of a disciplinary action against a master
14 electrician ~~holding licenses in certain jurisdictions~~; requiring local licensing
15 jurisdictions to submit an annual report to the State Board on the number of
16 complaints against master electricians in the local jurisdiction on or before a

1 certain date; requiring that an evaluation of the State Board and the statutes
 2 and regulations that relate to the State Board be performed on or before a
 3 certain date; requiring the State Board to submit a certain report to certain
 4 committees on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the State Board
 5 of Master Electricians.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 7 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
 8 Section ~~6-305, 6-310(e), and 6-702~~
 9 Annotated Code of Maryland
 10 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

11 BY adding to
 12 Article - Business Occupations and Professions
 13 Section 6-321
 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
 15 (2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

16 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
 17 Article - State Government
 18 Section 8-403(a)
 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
 20 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

21 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
 22 Article - State Government
 23 Section 8-403(b)(21)
 24 Annotated Code of Maryland
 25 (1999 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

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

28 **Article - Business Occupations and Professions**

29 ~~6-305.~~

30 An applicant for a State license shall:

31 (1) ~~submit to the State Board an application on the form that the State~~
 32 ~~Board provides; [and]~~

33 (2) ~~pay to the State Board or the State Board's designee an examination~~
 34 ~~fee set by the Board in an amount not to exceed the cost of the required examination;~~

35 ~~AND~~

1 ~~(3) REPORT TO THE STATE BOARD THE NUMBER AND JURISDICTION OF~~
 2 ~~ALL OTHER MASTER ELECTRICIAN LICENSES HELD BY THE APPLICANT.~~

3 6-310.

4 (e) ~~Before a State license expires, the State licensee periodically may renew it~~
 5 ~~for an additional 2-year term, if the State licensee:~~

6 (1) ~~otherwise is entitled to be licensed;~~

7 (2) ~~pays to the State Board a renewal fee of \$25; [and]~~

8 (3) ~~submits to the State Board a renewal application on the form that the~~
 9 ~~State Board provides; AND~~

10 ~~(4) REPORTS TO THE STATE BOARD THE NUMBER AND JURISDICTION OF~~
 11 ~~ALL OTHER MASTER ELECTRICIAN LICENSES HELD BY THE LICENSEE.~~

12 6-321.

13 (A) (1) WHEN A COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION THAT REQUIRES A
 14 LOCAL LICENSE INITIATES A DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST A LICENSED MASTER
 15 ELECTRICIAN, THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SHALL REPORT THE
 16 DISCIPLINARY ACTION TO THE STATE BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF COMMENCEMENT
 17 OF THE ACTION.

18 (2) WHEN THE STATE BOARD RECEIVES NOTICE OF A LOCAL
 19 DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST A LICENSED MASTER ELECTRICIAN, THE STATE
 20 BOARD SHALL ~~SEND WRITTEN~~ PROVIDE NOTICE OF THE DISCIPLINARY ACTION TO
 21 EACH LOCAL LICENSING JURISDICTION ~~IN WHICH THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN IS~~
 22 ~~LICENSED.~~

23 (B) EACH LOCAL LICENSING JURISDICTION SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE
 24 STATE BOARD ON THE NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST MASTER ELECTRICIANS
 25 LICENSED IN THE LOCAL JURISDICTION ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1 OF EACH YEAR.
 26 6-702.

27 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland
 28 Program Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall
 29 terminate and be of no effect after July 1, [2003] 2013.

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Article - State Government

31 8-403.

32 (a) On or before December 15 of the 2nd year before the evaluation date of a
 33 governmental activity or unit, the Legislative Policy Committee, based on a
 34 preliminary evaluation, may waive as unnecessary the evaluation required under this
 35 section.

1 (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (a) of this section, on or before
2 the evaluation date for the following governmental activities or units, an evaluation
3 shall be made of the following governmental activities or units and the statutes and
4 regulations that relate to the governmental activities or units:

5 (21) Electricians, State Board of Master (§ 6-201 of the Business
6 Occupations and Professions Article: July 1, [2002] 2012);

7 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the State Board of
8 Master Electricians shall report to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental
9 Affairs Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee on or before October
10 1, 2002, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, on the
11 implementation of recommendations of the Department of Legislative Services
12 contained in the sunset evaluation report dated October 2001.

13 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
14 July 1, 2002.