

SENATE BILL 916

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By: **Senator Klausmeier**

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Task Force to Study Licensing and Continuing Education Requirements for**
3 **Electricians**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing the Task Force to Study Licensing and Continuing
5 Education Requirements for Electricians; providing for the composition, chair,
6 and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from
7 receiving certain compensation, but authorizing reimbursement of certain
8 expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations
9 regarding certain matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and
10 recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a
11 certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to
12 the Task Force to Study Licensing and Continuing Education Requirements for
13 Electricians.

14 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
15 MARYLAND, That:

16 (a) There is a Task Force to Study Licensing and Continuing Education
17 Requirements for Electricians.

18 (b) The Task Force consists of the following members:

19 (1) one member of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President
20 of the Senate;

21 (2) one member of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of
22 the House;

23 (3) the Secretary of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, or the
24 Secretary's designee; and

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (4) the following members, appointed by the Governor:

2 (i) one representative of the Maryland Uniform Electrical
3 Licensing Examination Committee, Inc.;

4 (ii) one representative of a local electrical board;

5 (iii) one representative of the Maryland Association of Counties;

6 (iv) one representative of the International Brotherhood of
7 Electrical Workers;

8 (v) one representative of Independent Electrical Contractors
9 (IEC) Chesapeake; and

10 (vi) one member of the State Board of Master Electricians.

11 (c) The Task Force shall elect a chair from among its members.

12 (d) The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation shall provide staff
13 for the Task Force.

14 (e) A member of the Task Force:

15 (1) may not receive compensation as a member of the Task Force; but

16 (2) is entitled to reimbursement for expenses under the Standard
17 State Travel Regulations, as provided in the State budget.

18 (f) The Task Force shall:

19 (1) examine proposed changes to the State licensing requirements for
20 electricians in the State;

21 (2) review local electrician licensing requirements and issues relating
22 to transitioning to a single, statewide license;

23 (3) examine the effect on local boards of electricians and local
24 governments of proposed changes reviewed under items (1) and (2) of this subsection;

25 (4) make recommendations relating to statewide continuing education
26 requirements for electricians; and

27 (5) make recommendations for other legislation relating to licensing
28 requirements for electricians.

1 (g) On or before November 15, 2013, the Task Force shall report its findings
2 and recommendations for legislation to the Governor and, in accordance with § 2-1246
3 of the State Government Article, the General Assembly.

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 July 1, 2013. It shall remain effective for a period of 1 year and, at the end of June 30,
6 2014, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be
7 abrogated and of no further force and effect.