

HOUSE BILL 164

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By: **Chair, Economic Matters Committee (By Request – Departmental – Labor, Licensing and Regulation)**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Business Occupations and Professions – Licensing and Regulation of**
3 **Electricians**

4 FOR the purpose of altering the purpose, composition, powers, and duties of the State Board
5 of Master Electricians; changing the name of the State Board of Master Electricians
6 to the Board of Electricians; authorizing the Board to issue an apprentice and a
7 journeyman license under certain circumstances; authorizing the Board to adopt
8 a State electrical code; requiring a county to enforce the State electrical code or a
9 certain local electrical code; requiring the Board to enforce the State electrical code
10 in a county under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be licensed by
11 the Board before providing or assisting in providing electrical services in the State
12 under certain circumstances; establishing a certain licensing exception for a person
13 who provides limited energy services or who is licensed or registered to provide
14 security systems services; establishing certain licensing exceptions for a person who
15 holds a certain license and who is acting within the scope of that license; phasing out
16 certain local electricians licenses over a certain period of time; providing that a
17 certain local license is no longer valid on or after a certain date; authorizing a local
18 jurisdiction to continue to issue certain local licenses on or after a certain date;
19 authorizing a local jurisdiction to continue to issue certain local licenses on or after
20 a certain date under certain circumstances; requiring a local jurisdiction to issue a
21 certain permit under certain circumstances; authorizing a local jurisdiction to issue
22 a certain permit under certain circumstances; altering certain licensing
23 requirements; establishing a continuing education requirement as a condition of
24 journeyman license renewal; requiring an applicant for an apprentice license to
25 meet certain requirements set by the Board; prohibiting a local jurisdiction from
26 issuing a certain reciprocal license based on a license issued by another jurisdiction;
27 establishing a staggered renewal period for licenses; altering the circumstances
28 under which the Board may deny a license to an applicant, reprimand a licensee, or
29 suspend or revoke a license; requiring an advertisement for electrical services to
30 contain certain information; requiring a master electrician to display certain

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 information in a certain manner; prohibiting a person from taking certain actions
2 without a license; establishing certain penalties for certain violations; changing the
3 name of the Board of Master Electricians in the Occupational Mechanical Licensing
4 Boards' Fund to the Board of Electricians; requiring the Department of Labor,
5 Licensing, and Regulation to work with representatives of the limited energy
6 services industry to study issues relating to a State license for the provision of limited
7 energy services; providing for the application of this Act; altering, adding, and
8 repealing certain defined terms; making stylistic and conforming changes; providing
9 for the termination of certain provisions of this Act; providing for the delayed
10 effective date of certain provisions of this Act; and generally relating to the Board of
11 Electricians and the licensing and regulation of electricians.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
13 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
14 Section 6–101 through 6–103; 6–201 through 6–208 to be under the amended subtitle
15 “Subtitle 2. Board of Electricians”; and 6–301 through 6–306, 6–306.1, 6–307
16 through 6–505, 6–601, 6–602, 6–604, 6–701, and 6–702
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (2018 Replacement Volume)

19 BY repealing
20 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
21 Section 6–506, 6–603, and 6–605
22 Annotated Code of Maryland
23 (2018 Replacement Volume)

24 BY adding to
25 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
26 Section 6–604 through 6–609
27 Annotated Code of Maryland
28 (2018 Replacement Volume)

29 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
30 Article – Public Safety
31 Section 12–603
32 Annotated Code of Maryland
33 (2018 Replacement Volume)

34 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
35 Article – Business Regulation
36 Section 2–106.9 and 2–108
37 Annotated Code of Maryland
38 (2015 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

39 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
40 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
41 Section 6–309(a), 6–311(a)(3), (b)(3), and (e), 6–312(b), and 6–316(a)

1 Annotated Code of Maryland
 2 (2018 Replacement Volume)
 3 (As enacted by Section 1 of this Act)

4 BY repealing

5 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
 6 Section 6–320 and 6–321; 6–401 and 6–402 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Assignment
 7 of Local Licenses”; 6–501 through 6–505 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5.
 8 Reciprocity”; and 6–601 and 6–602

9 Annotated Code of Maryland
 10 (2018 Replacement Volume)
 11 (As enacted by Section 2 of this Act)

12 BY renumbering

13 Article – Business Occupations and Professions
 14 Section 6–603 through 6–609 and the subtitle “Subtitle 6. Miscellaneous Provisions”;
 15 and 6–701 and 6–702 and the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Short Title; Termination of
 16 Title”, respectively

17 to be Section 6–401 through 6–407 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Miscellaneous
 18 Provisions”; and 6–501 and 6–502 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Short Title;
 19 Termination of Title”, respectively

20 Annotated Code of Maryland
 21 (2018 Replacement Volume)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

23 Article – Business Occupations and Professions

24 Section 6–407(b) and (c)

25 Annotated Code of Maryland

26 (2018 Replacement Volume)

27 (As enacted by Section 4 of this Act)

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

30 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

31 6–101.

32 (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

33 (B) “APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS:

34 (1) LICENSED BY THE BOARD TO ASSIST A MASTER ELECTRICIAN IN
 35 PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES;

36 (2) UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF THE MASTER

1 **ELECTRICIAN; AND**

2 **(3) IN TRAINING TO BECOME A JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN.**

3 **[(b)] (C)** (1) “Assignment of local license” means any procedure by which, **ON**
4 **OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**, a licensee grants to another person a right to use a
5 local license to enable that person to engage in the business of providing electrical services.

6 (2) “Assignment of local license” includes any procedure by which:

7 (i) a licensee agrees to be the representative of another person; and

8 (ii) by virtue of that agreement, the other person is authorized to
9 engage in the business of providing electrical services.

10 **(D) “BOARD” MEANS THE BOARD OF ELECTRICIANS.**

11 **(E) “CONTINUING EDUCATION” MEANS ANY COURSE OR TRAINING IN**
12 **PRACTICAL TECHNIQUES, INSTALLATION PROCEDURES, OR MATERIALS BASED ON**
13 **THE LATEST EDITION OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE AND ANY ADOPTED**
14 **LOCAL AMENDMENTS ADMINISTERED BY:**

15 **(1) A COLLEGE OR TRADE SCHOOL;**

16 **(2) A STATE OR NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED TRAINING PROGRAM; OR**

17 **(3) AN ORGANIZATION OR INDIVIDUAL APPROVED BY THE BOARD.**

18 **[(c)] (F)** “Engage in the business of providing electrical services” means to
19 engage in providing electrical services for compensation.

20 **(G) “JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS:**

21 **(1) LICENSED BY THE BOARD TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES**
22 **WHILE UNDER THE DIRECTION AND CONTROL OF A MASTER ELECTRICIAN; OR**

23 **(2) LICENSED AS A JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN ON OR BEFORE**
24 **MARCH 31, 2024, BY:**

25 **(I) CALVERT COUNTY;**

26 **(II) CHARLES COUNTY;**

27 **(III) HARFORD COUNTY;**

1 (IV) MONTGOMERY COUNTY; OR

2 (V) PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY.

3 [(d)] (H) (1) "License" means, unless the context requires otherwise, a license
4 issued by the [State] Board or a local jurisdiction to provide OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING
5 electrical services.

6 (2) "LICENSE" INCLUDES, UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES
7 OTHERWISE:

8 (I) A MASTER ELECTRICIAN LICENSE;

9 (II) A JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN LICENSE; AND

10 (III) AN APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN LICENSE.

11 [(e)] (I) "Licensed master electrician" means, unless the context requires
12 otherwise, a master electrician who is licensed by the [State] Board or a local jurisdiction
13 to provide electrical services.

14 (J) "LIMITED ENERGY SYSTEM" INCLUDES:

15 (1) CABLING AND EQUIPMENT FOR VOICE, AUDIO, AND DATA SIGNALS;

16 (2) CLASS TWO OR CLASS THREE CIRCUITS, AS DEFINED BY THE
17 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, THAT ARE REMOTE CONTROL, SIGNALING, OR
18 POWER-LIMITED;

19 (3) FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS;

20 (4) OPTICAL FIBER CABLES;

21 (5) COMMUNICATION CIRCUITS;

22 (6) RACEWAYS;

23 (7) COMMUNITY ANTENNA TELEVISION AND RADIO DISTRIBUTION
24 SYSTEMS;

25 (8) NETWORK-POWERED BROADBAND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS;

26 (9) PREMISES-POWERED BROADBAND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS;

- 1 **(10) ALARM SYSTEMS;**
- 2 **(11) ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS;**
- 3 **(12) VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS;**
- 4 **(13) HOME AUTOMATION AND CONTROL;**
- 5 **(14) AUDIOVISUAL SYSTEMS;**
- 6 **(15) COMPUTER AND COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS;**
- 7 **(16) HEATING FURNACES AND ELECTRICALLY OPERATED**
8 **AIR-CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT THAT REQUIRES NOT MORE**
9 **THAN 225 VOLTS OR 25 AMPERES OF ELECTRICAL CURRENT;**
- 10 **(17) DIGITAL OR ELECTRICAL SIGNAGE;**
- 11 **(18) RADIOS;**
- 12 **(19) TELEVISIONS;**
- 13 **(20) TELEVISION AND RADIO DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS;**
- 14 **(21) MOTOR REPAIRS; AND**
- 15 **(22) MOTOR SERVICES.**

16 **[(f)] (K)** “Local board” means a board that a local jurisdiction of the State creates
17 to regulate:

- 18 **(1) any aspect of the electrical trade, ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024;**
- 19 **(2) ANY ASPECT OF THE ELECTRICAL TRADE, OTHER THAN THE**
20 **ISSUANCE OF LOCAL APPRENTICE, JOURNEYPERSON, AND MASTER LEVEL LICENSES**
21 **BETWEEN APRIL 1, 2024, AND SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; AND**
- 22 **(3) ANY ASPECT OF THE ELECTRICAL TRADE NOT REGULATED BY THE**
23 **BOARD BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2024.**

24 **[(g)] (L)** “Local license” means, unless the context requires otherwise, a license
25 that is issued by a local board **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024**, to provide electrical
26 services [as a master electrician].

1 **[(h)] (M)** “Master electrician” means an individual who [has the experience,
2 knowledge, and skill to provide electrical services in all aspects of the electrical trade, in a
3 manner that complies with applicable plans, specifications, codes, or law] **IS LICENSED BY**
4 **THE BOARD TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES.**

5 **[(i)] (N)** (1) “Provide electrical services” means to provide any service in the
6 electrical trade.

7 (2) “Provide electrical services” includes installing, repairing,
8 **MAINTAINING, ERECTING,** or altering any electrical **EQUIPMENT,** wiring, fixture,
9 appliance, apparatus, raceway, [or] conduit, **OR SYSTEM** that:

10 (i) generates, transmits, transforms, or uses electrical energy in any
11 form for light, heat, power, or communication; and

12 (ii) is located within a plant, substation, or elsewhere.

13 **[(j)]** “State Board” means the State Board of Master Electricians.]

14 **(O)** “**PROVIDE LIMITED ENERGY SERVICES**” MEANS TO DESIGN, INSTALL,
15 **ERECT, REPAIR, MAINTAIN, OR ALTER A LIMITED ENERGY SYSTEM.**

16 **[(k)] (P)** “State license” means, **UNLESS THE CONTEXT REQUIRES**
17 **OTHERWISE,** a license that is:

18 **(1)** issued by the [State] Board to a master electrician; **AND**

19 **(2)** **USED ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, TO ASSIGN A LOCAL**
20 **LICENSE.**

21 6–102.

22 The [policy of the State] **PURPOSE OF THIS TITLE** is to [regulate, throughout the
23 State, those persons who provide electrical services or engage in the business of]
24 **ESTABLISH A LICENSING PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN**
25 providing electrical services[,] to:

26 **(1)** safeguard the life, health, property, and public welfare of the citizens of
27 the State;

28 **(2)** **PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN EFFICIENT AND SAFE ELECTRICAL**
29 **SYSTEMS;**

30 **(3)** **PROMOTE HIGH PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS; AND**

1 **(4) ENSURE THAT QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS CARRY OUT ITEMS (1), (2),**
 2 **AND (3) OF THIS SECTION.**

3 6–103.

4 (a) This title does not affect the right of any local jurisdiction of the State:

5 (1) to regulate **LOCALLY** the quality and character of work of a person who
 6 engages in the business of providing electrical services by establishing a system of
 7 **[licenses] REGISTRATIONS**, permits, fees, and inspections designed to:

8 (i) ensure compliance with and implementation of State and local
 9 building laws; or

10 (ii) enforce other local laws protecting public health and safety;

11 (2) to require a person who engages in the business of providing electrical
 12 services to submit any plan or specification for approval before the electrical services are
 13 provided;

14 (3) to establish a local board **TO:**

15 **(I) CARRY OUT ITEMS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION;**

16 **(II) TAKE ACTION AGAINST THE AUTHORITY OF A REGISTRANT**
 17 **OR PERMIT HOLDER TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES IN THAT JURISDICTION;**
 18 **AND**

19 **(III) REPORT ANY ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY TO THE BOARD;**

20 (4) **[except as provided in §§ 6–504 and 6–602 of this title, to require an**
 21 **examination before issuing a license] TO REQUIRE A LICENSEE TO OBTAIN A LOCAL**
 22 **REGISTRATION OR PERMIT** to provide electrical services within the local jurisdiction; or

23 (5) to collect, from a person who is **[licensed] REGISTERED** with **OR**
 24 **PERMITTED BY** a local board, fees for:

25 (i) **[an examination for a license to provide electrical services;**

26 (ii)] **issuance and renewal of the [license] REGISTRATION OR**
 27 **PERMIT; or**

28 [(iii)] **(II) an inspection.**

29 (b) **(1) [If] SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, IF** a local

1 jurisdiction licenses [any class of] APPRENTICE OR JOURNEYPerson LEVEL electricians
2 [other than master electricians] ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024, that class is also under
3 the control and supervision of the local board.

4 **(2) (I) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS**
5 **PARAGRAPH, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, ANY APPRENTICE, JOURNEYPerson,**
6 **OR MASTER LEVEL ELECTRICIAN LICENSE ISSUED BY A LOCAL JURISDICTION OF**
7 **THE STATE TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES IS NO**
8 **LONGER VALID, REGARDLESS OF THE EXPIRATION DATE OF THE LICENSE.**

9 **(II) IF A LOCAL JURISDICTION ISSUES A CLASSIFICATION OF**
10 **LICENSE THAT THE BOARD DOES NOT ISSUE, THE LOCAL BOARD MAY CONTINUE TO**
11 **ISSUE THAT CLASSIFICATION ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2024.**

12 **(C) IF A LOCAL JURISDICTION REQUIRES A PERSON TO OBTAIN A PERMIT**
13 **BEFORE PROVIDING LIMITED ENERGY SERVICES, THE LOCAL JURISDICTION:**

14 **(1) SHALL ISSUE A PERMIT TO A PERSON WHO:**

15 **(I) WAS LICENSED BY THE LOCAL JURISDICTION TO PROVIDE**
16 **ENERGY SERVICES ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024; OR**

17 **(II) IS LICENSED OR REGISTERED UNDER TITLE 18 OF THIS**
18 **ARTICLE TO PROVIDE SECURITY SYSTEMS SERVICES; AND**

19 **(2) MAY ISSUE THE PERMIT TO ANY OTHER PERSON THE LOCAL**
20 **JURISDICTION DETERMINES IS QUALIFIED TO PROVIDE LIMITED ENERGY SERVICES.**

21 **[(c)] (D)** This title may not be construed to waive any requirement of an
22 ordinance or regulation that sets out the type of work to be performed by a person who
23 engages in the business of providing electrical services as required under State or local
24 building laws.

25 Subtitle 2. [State] Board of [Master] Electricians.

26 6–201.

27 There is a [State] Board of [Master] Electricians in the Department.

28 6–202.

29 (a) (1) The [State] Board consists of 9 members appointed by the Governor
30 with the advice and consent of the Senate.

31 (2) Of the 9 members of the [State] Board:

- 1 (i) 6 shall be licensed master electricians; [and]
- 2 (ii) **[3] 2** shall be consumer members; **AND**
- 3 **(III) 1 SHALL BE AN ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.**
- 4 (3) Of the 6 master electrician members:
- 5 (i) 1 shall be from Baltimore City;
- 6 (ii) 1 shall be from the area that consists of Caroline, Dorchester,
7 Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester counties;
- 8 (iii) 1 shall be from the area that consists of Baltimore, Cecil, and
9 Harford counties;
- 10 (iv) 1 shall be from the area that consists of Anne Arundel, Calvert,
11 Charles, and St. Mary's counties;
- 12 (v) 1 shall be from the area that consists of Montgomery and Prince
13 George's counties; and
- 14 (vi) 1 shall be from the area that consists of Allegany, Carroll,
15 Frederick, Garrett, Howard, and Washington counties.
- 16 (4) **[The] EACH consumer [members] MEMBER:**
- 17 **(I)** shall be from the State at large;
- 18 **(II) SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC;**
- 19 **(III) MAY NOT BE LICENSED OR OTHERWISE BE SUBJECT TO THE**
20 **REGULATION OF THE BOARD; AND**
- 21 **(IV) MAY NOT HAVE HAD, WITHIN 1 YEAR BEFORE BEING**
22 **APPOINTED, A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR RECEIVED COMPENSATION FROM A**
23 **PERSON REGULATED BY THE BOARD.**
- 24 **(5) THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR MEMBER:**
- 25 **(I) SHALL BE FROM THE STATE AT LARGE; AND**
- 26 **(II) HAVE EXPERTISE IN ELECTRICAL CODE COMPLIANCE.**
- 27 **[(5)] (6)** A member of the [State] Board may not reside in the same county

1 as another member.

2 (b) Each member of the [State] Board shall be a citizen and resident of the State.

3 (c) Each master electrician member of the [State] Board shall:

4 (1) hold an active [State] **AND CURRENT** license **UNDER THIS ARTICLE**;
5 and

6 (2) be engaged actively in providing electrical services as a master
7 electrician for at least 5 consecutive years immediately before appointment.

8 (d) [Each consumer member of the State Board:

9 (1) shall be a member of the general public;

10 (2) may not be a licensee or otherwise be subject to regulation by the State
11 Board;

12 (3) may not be required to meet the qualifications for the professional
13 members of the State Board; and

14 (4) may not, within 1 year before appointment, have had a financial
15 interest in or have received compensation from a person regulated by the State Board.

16 (e) While a member of the [State] Board, a consumer member may not:

17 (1) have a financial interest in or receive compensation from a person
18 regulated by the [State] Board; or

19 (2) grade an examination given by or for the [State] Board.

20 [(f)] (E) Before taking office, each appointee to the [State] Board shall take the
21 oath required by Article I, § 9 of the Maryland Constitution.

22 [(g)] (F) (1) The term of a member is 3 years and begins on July 1.

23 (2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided
24 for members of the [State] Board on October 1, 1989.

25 (3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is
26 appointed and qualifies.

27 (4) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the
28 rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

1 (5) A member may not be reappointed for more than 2 consecutive 3-year
2 terms.

3 [(h)] (G) (1) The Governor may remove a member for incompetence or
4 misconduct.

5 (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection and subject to
6 paragraph (4) of this subsection, a member shall be considered to have resigned if the
7 member did not attend at least two-thirds of the Board meetings held during any
8 consecutive 12-month period while the member was serving on the Board.

9 (3) The Governor may waive a member's resignation and allow the member
10 to continue serving if the member has been unable to attend meetings for reasons
11 satisfactory to the Governor and the reasons are made public.

12 (4) In accordance with § 8-501 of the State Government Article, the
13 chairman shall provide notice to the Governor and the Governor shall appoint a successor.
14 6-203.

15 (a) From among its members, the [State] Board annually shall elect a chairman,
16 a vice chairman, and a secretary.

17 (b) (1) The manner of election of officers shall be as the [State] Board
18 determines.

19 (2) The terms of the officers are for 1 year and begin on July 1.

20 6-204.

21 (a) A majority of the authorized membership of the [State] Board is a quorum.

22 (b) (1) The [State] Board shall meet at least once a month, at the times that it
23 determines, in the office of the [State] Board.

24 (2) The [State] Board may hold special meetings as necessary.

25 (c) Subject to the State budget, each member of the [State] Board is entitled to:

26 (1) an annual salary of \$3,600; and

27 (2) reimbursement for reasonable expenses under the Standard State
28 Travel Regulations.

29 (d) The [State] Board may employ a staff in accordance with the State budget.

1 6-205.

2 (A) In addition to any powers and duties set forth elsewhere, the [State] Board
3 shall:

4 (1) [twice a year hold a seminar and invite members from each local
5 licensing jurisdiction to discuss any industry or licensing problems; and

6 (2)] adopt regulations to [establish:

7 (i) application and examination fees;

8 (ii) continuing education requirements; and

9 (iii) application deadlines] **CARRY OUT THIS TITLE;**

10 (2) **ADOPT AND ENFORCE A CODE THAT SETS MINIMUM STANDARDS**
11 **FOR PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**

12 (3) **ISSUE LICENSES;**

13 (4) **KEEP RECORDS OF ITS PROCEEDINGS; AND**

14 (5) **ADOPT AN OFFICIAL SEAL TO AUTHENTICATE ITS PROCEEDINGS,**
15 **OFFICIAL RECORDS, AND LICENSES.**

16 (B) **EACH COUNTY SHALL:**

17 (1) **ENFORCE THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE; OR**

18 (2) **ADOPT AND ENFORCE A LOCAL ELECTRICAL CODE THAT MEETS**
19 **OR EXCEEDS THE MINIMUM STANDARDS OF THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE FOR THE**
20 **PROPER DESIGN, ACCEPTABLE INSTALLATION, AND ADEQUATE MAINTENANCE OF**
21 **ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS.**

22 (C) **UNLESS THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT A COUNTY IS ADEQUATELY**
23 **ENFORCING THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE OR A LOCAL ELECTRICAL CODE THAT**
24 **MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE MINIMUM STANDARDS OF THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE,**
25 **THE BOARD SHALL ENFORCE THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE IN A COUNTY.**

26 6-206.

27 (a) In connection with a proceeding, the [State] Board or a hearing officer whom
28 the [State] Board designates:

1 (1) may hold hearings;

2 (2) may administer oaths; and

3 (3) by deposition in the same manner as provided in civil cases in the State
4 or otherwise, may take testimony.

5 (b) (1) The [State] Board or its designee may issue a subpoena.

6 (2) The police department of Baltimore City or the sheriff of a county shall
7 serve a subpoena issued under this subsection.

8 (3) If a person fails to comply with a subpoena issued under this subsection,
9 on petition of the [State] Board, a circuit court may compel compliance with the subpoena.

10 (c) (1) If the [State] Board concludes that conduct alleged to be a violation of
11 this title may result in irreparable harm to a person, the [State] Board may sue to enforce
12 a provision of this title by ex parte, interlocutory, or final injunction.

13 (2) The [State] Board shall bring suit under this subsection in the circuit
14 court for the county where:

15 (i) the violation allegedly is occurring; or

16 (ii) the principal place of business of the alleged violator is located.

17 (3) In seeking an injunction under this subsection, the [State] Board is not
18 required to allege or prove that an adequate remedy at law does not exist.

19 6–207.

20 (a) (1) The [State] Board may set by regulation reasonable fees for its services.

21 (2) The fees charged shall be:

22 (i) set so as to produce funds to approximate the cost of maintaining
23 the [State] Board; and

24 (ii) based on the calculations performed by the Secretary under §
25 2–106.10 of the Business Regulation Article.

26 (b) The [State] Board shall publish a schedule of the fees set by the [State] Board.

27 (c) (1) The [State] Board shall pay all fees collected under this title to the
28 Comptroller.

1 (2) The Comptroller shall distribute the fees to the Occupational
2 Mechanical Licensing Boards' Fund established under § 2–106.9 of the Business Regulation
3 Article.

4 6–208.

5 The [State] Board exercises its powers, duties, and functions subject to the authority
6 of the Secretary.

7 6–301.

8 **(A) (1) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, AND SUBJECT**
9 **TO THIS SECTION, AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL BE LICENSED BY THE BOARD BEFORE THE**
10 **INDIVIDUAL PROVIDES OR ASSISTS IN PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES IN THE**
11 **STATE.**

12 **(2) A LOCAL JURISDICTION THAT ISSUES A LOCAL LICENSE**
13 **AUTHORIZING THE HOLDER TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING ELECTRICAL**
14 **SERVICES BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2019, MAY CONTINUE TO ISSUE LOCAL APPRENTICE,**
15 **JOURNEYPERSON, OR MASTER LEVEL LICENSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS**
16 **SECTION UNTIL MARCH 31, 2024.**

17 **[(a)] (B)** Each county **THAT ISSUES LOCAL LICENSES** shall:

18 (1) adopt regulations that have qualifications comparable to § 6–304 of this
19 subtitle, to provide for the licensing and regulation of master electricians; or

20 (2) (i) require a State license for providing electrical services as a
21 master electrician; and

22 (ii) enforce the provisions of this title.

23 **[(b)] (C)** Each municipal corporation **THAT ISSUES LOCAL LICENSES** shall:

24 (1) adopt regulations that have qualifications comparable to, or more
25 stringent than, § 6–304 of this subtitle to provide for the licensing and regulation of master
26 electricians;

27 (2) adopt the electrical rules and regulations of the county in which the
28 municipal corporation is located; or

29 (3) (i) require a State license for providing electrical services as a
30 master electrician; and

31 (ii) enforce the provisions of this title.

1 [(c) Each licensed master electrician shall display the State license number or the
2 county license number of the licensee on each vehicle used on the job for providing electrical
3 services.

4 (d) A county or municipal corporation may not adopt a resolution or enact a law
5 that requires a person licensed under this subtitle who is compliant with subsection (c) of
6 this section to display additional license numbers on each vehicle used on the job for
7 providing electrical services.]

8 6–302.

9 **(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN § 6–103(B)(2)(II) OF THIS TITLE, BEGINNING**
10 **ON OCTOBER 1, 2024, AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PROVIDES OR ASSISTS IN PROVIDING**
11 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES IN THE STATE MAY NO LONGER HOLD A LICENSE ISSUED BY**
12 **A LOCAL JURISDICTION.**

13 **[(a) (B) [In] ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024:**

14 **(1) IN** a local jurisdiction that requires a local license, the State license,
15 while the State license is in effect, serves only as a mechanism that helps a licensee in
16 obtaining a local license under §§ 6–601 and 6–602 of this title[.]; **AND**

17 **[(b) (2) [If] IF** a county or municipal corporation does not require a local license,
18 the State license, while the State license is in effect, authorizes the licensee to:

19 **[(1) (I) provide OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING** electrical services as a master
20 electrician, **JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN, OR APPRENTICE;** or

21 **[(2) (II) be** the representative of another person who engages in the
22 business of providing electrical services.

23 6–303.

24 [(a) This subtitle does not require an individual to hold a State license while the
25 individual provides electrical services as an employee or subordinate of a master electrician
26 licensed by the State Board if:

27 (1) the individual provides electrical services while under the control and
28 supervision of the licensee; and

29 (2) the licensee is responsible for the electrical services that the individual
30 provides.

31 (b)] This subtitle does not require:

1 (1) a public utility company to employ a [master electrician] LICENSEE to
2 represent the company while the company is engaging in the business of providing
3 electrical services to a facility of the company that:

4 (i) is regulated by the Public Service Commission; and

5 (ii) is located on any premises, roadway, or right-of-way in which
6 the company has a lawful interest; [or]

7 (2) an employee of a public utility company to hold a [State] license while
8 the employee provides electrical services to a facility of the company that:

9 (i) is regulated by the Public Service Commission; and

10 (ii) is located on any premises, roadway, or right-of-way in which
11 the company has a lawful interest;

12 **(3) A PERSON TO HOLD A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD IF THE**
13 **PERSON IS:**

14 **(I) PROVIDING LIMITED ENERGY SERVICES; OR**

15 **(II) LICENSED OR REGISTERED UNDER TITLE 18 OF THIS**
16 **ARTICLE TO PROVIDE SECURITY SYSTEM SERVICES; OR**

17 **(4) A PERSON TO HOLD A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE BOARD IF THE**
18 **PERSON:**

19 **(I) HOLDS A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER TITLE 12 OF THIS**
20 **ARTICLE AND IS ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THAT LICENSE; OR**

21 **(II) HOLDS A LICENSE ISSUED UNDER TITLE 9A OF THE**
22 **BUSINESS REGULATION ARTICLE AND IS ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THAT**
23 **LICENSE.**

24 6-304.

25 **(A) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, 1 YEAR OF EXPERIENCE IS**
26 **EQUIVALENT TO 2,000 OR MORE HOURS OF ON-THE-JOB EXPERIENCE.**

27 **[(a)] (B)** To qualify for a [State] license, an applicant shall [be an individual who
28 meets] **MEET** the requirements of this section.

1 **[(b)] (C)** **[(1)** Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the] **AN** applicant
2 **FOR A MASTER ELECTRICIAN LICENSE** shall:

3 **(1) (I)** have **HELD A JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN LICENSE FOR**
4 **AT LEAST 3 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE DATE OF THE APPLICATION AND,**
5 **DURING THAT TIME,** been engaged or employed regularly and principally in providing
6 electrical services [for all types of electrical equipment and apparatus for at least 7 years]
7 while under the direction and supervision of:

8 **[(i)] 1.** a master electrician; or

9 **[(ii)] 2.** a similarly qualified employee of a governmental unit[.];
10 **OR**

11 **[(2)** The State Board may allow an applicant up to 3 years of credit toward
12 the experience required under paragraph (1) of this subsection, if the State Board
13 determines that the applicant has completed a formal course of study or professional
14 training in electrical installation comparable to the required experience.]

15 **(II) HAVE BEEN ENGAGED OR EMPLOYED IN PROVIDING**
16 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR AT LEAST 7 YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE**
17 **STATE OF APPLICATION WHILE UNDER THE DIRECTION AND SUPERVISION OF:**

18 **1. A MASTER ELECTRICIAN; OR**

19 **2. A SIMILARLY QUALIFIED EMPLOYEE OF A**
20 **GOVERNMENTAL UNIT; AND**

21 **(2) PASS AN EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED BY THE BOARD.**

22 **[(c)** Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, the applicant shall pass an
23 examination given by the State Board under this subtitle.]

24 **(D) AN APPLICANT FOR A JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN LICENSE SHALL:**

25 **(1) BE AT LEAST 21 YEARS OLD; AND**

26 **(2) (I) 1. HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED BY A MASTER ELECTRICIAN**
27 **FOR AT LEAST 4 YEARS; AND**

28 **2. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE,**
29 **PASS AN EXAMINATION ADMINISTERED BY THE BOARD; OR**

30 **(II) HOLD A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FROM AN**

1 ELECTRICAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE MARYLAND
2 APPRENTICESHIP AND TRAINING COUNCIL OR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
3 THAT CONSISTS OF AT LEAST 576 HOURS OF CLASSROOM TRAINING AND 8,000 OR
4 MORE HOURS OF ON-THE-JOB TRAINING.

5 (E) AN APPLICANT FOR AN APPRENTICE ELECTRICIAN LICENSE SHALL
6 MEET THE REQUIREMENTS SET BY THE BOARD.

7 (F) THE BOARD MAY ALLOW AN APPLICANT UP TO 3 YEARS OF CREDIT
8 TOWARD THE EXPERIENCE REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (C) AND (D) OF THIS
9 SECTION IF THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE APPLICANT HAS COMPLETED A
10 FORMAL COURSE OF STUDY OR PROFESSIONAL TRAINING COMPARABLE TO THE
11 REQUIRED EXPERIENCE.

12 [(d)] (G) The [State] Board may investigate the qualifications of each applicant
13 to determine whether the applicant meets the requirements of this section.

14 6-305.

15 An applicant for a [State] license shall:

16 (1) submit to the [State] Board an application on the form that the [State]
17 Board provides; and

18 (2) pay to the [State] Board [or the State Board's designee an examination]
19 THE APPLICATION fee set by the Board [in an amount not to exceed the cost of the required
20 examination].

21 6-306.

22 (a) Except as otherwise provided in [§ 6-306.1] §§ 6-304 AND 6-306.1 of this
23 subtitle, an applicant who otherwise qualifies for a [State] license is entitled to be examined
24 as provided in this section.

25 (b) The [State] Board shall give examinations to qualified applicants at least
26 twice a year, at the dates, times, and places that the [State] Board determines.

27 (c) (1) At least 15 days before the examination, the [State] Board shall notify
28 each applicant whether the applicant is eligible to be examined under this section.

29 (2) The notice shall specify the passing score for [the examination] AN
30 EXAMINATION GIVEN UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

31 (d) (1) The [State] Board shall determine the subjects [and], scope, AND

1 **FORM** of the examination from a list of questions submitted by the Maryland Uniform
2 Electrical Licensing Examination Committee, Inc.

3 (2) The [State] Board shall choose examination questions that:

4 (i) test the applicant's knowledge of all applicable codes, laws, or
5 principles of electrical installation; and

6 (ii) are constructed to determine the fitness of the applicant for a
7 [State] license.

8 (3) The [State] Board may appoint a committee to develop examination
9 questions **FOR EXAMINATIONS GIVEN UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.**

10 (e) The form of [the] **EACH** examination shall be objective and written.

11 (f) The passing score for [the] **EACH** examination shall be 70%.

12 **(G) TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION, AN APPLICANT SHALL PAY AN EXAMINATION**
13 **FEE TO THE BOARD OR THE BOARD'S DESIGNEE IN AN AMOUNT SET BY THE BOARD**
14 **NOT TO EXCEED THE COST OF ADMINISTERING THE EXAMINATION.**

15 **[(g)] (H)** Within 45 days after [the] **AN** examination, the [State] Board shall mail
16 or electronically transmit to each applicant notice of the applicant's examination score.

17 **[(h)] (I)** On written request to the [State] Board, an applicant who failed an
18 examination may review the answers that the applicant gave and the scores for those
19 answers, at a time and place that the [State] Board determines.

20 **[(i)] (J)** (1) If an applicant fails to appear for a scheduled examination, the
21 applicant may reapply for an examination.

22 (2) The applicant:

23 (i) shall submit to the [State] Board an application for
24 reexamination on the form that the [State] Board provides; and

25 (ii) unless, for good cause, the [State] Board waives payment of the
26 examination fee, shall again pay the examination fee under **[§ 6-305] SUBSECTION (G)** of
27 this [subtitle] **SECTION.**

28 6-306.1.

29 (a) The [State] Board may use a testing service to administer the examinations
30 given under this title.

1 (b) If the [State] Board uses a testing service, the testing service, subject to the
2 requirements set by the [State] Board, may:

3 (1) set the time and place of examinations;

4 (2) give qualified applicants notice of the time and place of examinations;
5 and

6 (3) furnish any other information that the [State] Board may require the
7 testing service to provide.

8 6–307.

9 (a) Subject to the limitations in this section, the [State] Board shall waive the
10 examination requirements of this subtitle for an individual who holds a local
11 **JOURNEYPERSON OR MASTER LEVEL** license **AND SUBMITS AN APPLICATION TO THE**
12 **BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 6–305 OF THIS SUBTITLE ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31,**
13 **2024.**

14 (b) The [State] Board shall grant a waiver under this section only if the applicant:

15 (1) pays the application fee established by the Board under [§ 6–205]
16 **§ 6–305** of this [title] **SUBTITLE**;

17 (2) provides adequate evidence that the applicant:

18 (i) meets the qualifications otherwise required by this subtitle; and

19 (ii) is licensed in a local jurisdiction after:

20 1. passing, in that local jurisdiction, an examination that is
21 equivalent to the examination for which the applicant is seeking the waiver; and

22 2. meeting, in that local jurisdiction, requirements that are
23 equivalent to the licensing requirements of this subtitle; and

24 (3) submits a statement from the local jurisdiction certifying:

25 (i) the applicant is in good standing with the local jurisdiction;

26 (ii) the applicant obtained the local license by taking an examination
27 equivalent to the examination given by the [State] Board; and

28 (iii) the date of the local examination.

1 [(c) An initial State license that is obtained under this section may not be
2 reinstated unless the requirements of § 6–312 of this subtitle are met.]

3 6–308.

4 (a) Subject to the limitations in this section, on the affirmative vote of at least a
5 majority of the authorized membership of the [State] Board, the [State] Board may waive
6 the examination requirements of this subtitle for an individual who is licensed to provide
7 electrical services as a master electrician **OR JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN** in another
8 state.

9 (b) The [State] Board may grant a waiver under this section only if the applicant:

10 (1) pays the appropriate application fee set by the Board under [§ 6–205(2)]
11 **§ 6–305(2)** of this [title] SUBTITLE; and

12 (2) provides adequate evidence that the applicant:

13 (i) meets the qualifications otherwise required by this subtitle;

14 (ii) holds an active license in good standing in the other state;

15 (iii) holds a license that is equivalent to the State license; and

16 (iv) [meets a 7–year experience requirement in providing electrical
17 services, at least 4 years of which must have been gained prior to licensure in the other
18 state, while under the supervision of a master electrician or similarly qualified employee of
19 a governmental unit] **BECAME LICENSED IN THE OTHER STATE AFTER MEETING
20 REQUIREMENTS IN THAT STATE THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT TO THE
21 LICENSING REQUIREMENTS OF § 6–304 OF THIS SUBTITLE.**

22 (c) The [State] Board may grant a waiver only if the state in which the applicant
23 is licensed waives the examination of licensees of this State to a similar extent as this State
24 waives the examination requirements for individuals licensed in that state.

25 [(d) The Board may allow an applicant up to 3 years credit toward the experience
26 required under subsection (b)(2) of this section, if the State Board determines that the
27 applicant has completed a formal course of study or professional training in electrical
28 installation comparable to the required experience.]

29 6–309.

30 (a) If an applicant qualifies for a [State] license under this subtitle, the [State]
31 Board shall send the applicant a notice that states that:

32 (1) the applicant has qualified for a [State] license; and

1 (2) the [State] Board will issue a [State] license to the applicant on receipt
2 of:

3 (i) a license fee set by the [State] Board; and

4 (ii) proof of general liability and property damage insurance as
5 required under [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title.

6 (b) (1) **[If BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024, IF,** at the time of application, an
7 applicant intends to assign to another person a local **MASTER LEVEL** license that is
8 obtained by use of a State license, the applicant shall identify on the application the person
9 to whom the applicant is assigning the local **MASTER LEVEL** license.

10 (2) On payment of the [State license] **REQUIRED** fee and receipt of the
11 proof of insurance required under [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title, the [State] Board shall
12 issue a [State] license to each applicant who meets the requirements of this title.

13 (c) The [State] Board shall include on each [State] license that the [State] Board
14 issues:

15 (1) the name of the licensee; and

16 (2) **if, BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024,** the licensee **HOLDS A STATE LICENSE**
17 **AND** assigns a local **MASTER LEVEL** license to another person who engages in the business
18 of providing electrical services, the name of the person.

19 6–310.

20 (a) Unless a [State] license is renewed for a 2–year term as provided in this
21 section, the [State] license expires on [the first June 30 that comes:

22 (1) after the effective date of the State license; and

23 (2) **in an odd–numbered year] A STAGGERED BASIS AS DETERMINED BY**
24 **THE SECRETARY.**

25 (b) (1) At least 1 month before a [State] license expires, the [State] Board shall
26 mail or electronically transmit to the [State] licensee:

27 (i) a renewal application form; and

28 (ii) a notice that states:

29 1. the date on which the current [State] license expires; and

1 (1) submits to the [State] Board an application for inactive status on the
2 form that the [State] Board provides;

3 (2) pays to the [State] Board any applicable inactive status application fee;

4 (3) except for the insurance requirements of [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title,
5 qualifies for an active [State] license; and

6 (4) returns the [State] license to the [State] Board.

7 (b) The [State] Board shall place an applicant for an initial [State] license on
8 inactive status and issue an inactive status certificate to the applicant, if the applicant:

9 (1) submits to the [State] Board an application for inactive status on the
10 form that the [State] Board provides;

11 (2) pays to the [State] Board an inactive status application fee [of an
12 amount equal to the State license fee under § 6–309 of this subtitle] **SET BY THE BOARD**;
13 and

14 (3) except for the **CONTINUING EDUCATION AND** insurance requirements
15 of [§ 6–604] **§ 6–310 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND § 6–603** of this title, qualifies for an active
16 [State] license.

17 (c) [(1)] A licensee on inactive status may not use a [State] license to obtain a
18 local license for providing electrical services as a master electrician in a local jurisdiction
19 of the State.

20 [(2)] In a county that requires a State license, a licensee on inactive status
21 may not provide electrical services as a master electrician.]

22 (d) (1) Unless the individual applies for another 2–year term as provided in
23 this subsection, an individual on inactive status loses that status [on the first June 30 that
24 comes:

25 (i) after the inactive status registration certificate is issued to the
26 licensee; and

27 (ii) in an odd–numbered year] **ON THE EXPIRATION OF INACTIVE**
28 **STATUS.**

29 (2) (i) At least 1 month before the inactive status of an individual
30 expires, the [State] Board shall mail or electronically transmit to the individual:

31 1. a renewal application form; and

- 1 2. a notice that states:
- 2 A. the date on which the inactive status expires; and
- 3 B. the amount of the renewal fee.

4 (ii) If an electronic transmission under subparagraph (i) of this
5 paragraph is returned to the [State] Board as undeliverable, the [State] Board shall mail
6 to the individual, at the last known address of the individual, the materials required under
7 subparagraph (i) of this paragraph within 10 business days of the date the Board received
8 the notice that the electronic transmission was undeliverable.

9 (3) Before the inactive status expires, an individual on inactive status
10 periodically may renew it for an additional 2-year term, if the individual:

- 11 (i) otherwise is entitled to be placed on inactive status;
- 12 (ii) except for an electrical inspector, pays to the [State] Board a
13 renewal fee set by the [State] Board; and
- 14 (iii) submits to the [State] Board a renewal application on the form
15 that the [State] Board provides.

16 (4) After an inactive status expires, the former licensee may reapply for
17 inactive status only if the former licensee:

- 18 (i) otherwise is entitled to be placed on inactive status;
- 19 (ii) pays to the [State] Board a reapplication fee set by the [State]
20 Board; and
- 21 (iii) reapplies to the [State] Board for inactive status within 2 years
22 after initial expiration of inactive status on a form that the [State] Board provides.

23 (5) The [State] Board shall renew the inactive status of each individual or
24 grant the reapplication for inactive status of each former licensee who meets the
25 requirements of this subsection.

26 (e) If a former licensee on inactive status who has failed to renew the inactive
27 status within 2 years of its expiration reapplies for that status, the [State] Board shall
28 require the former licensee to comply with the requirements for obtaining a [State] license
29 under §§ 6-304 and 6-307 of this subtitle and § 6-503 of this title as well as the
30 requirements for inactive status under this section.

31 (f) The [State] Board shall reactivate the [State] license of an individual who is

1 on inactive status, if the individual:

2 (1) meets the renewal requirements that are in effect when the individual
3 requests the reactivation of the [State] license;

4 (2) submits to the [State] Board an application for reactivation on the form
5 that the [State] Board provides; and

6 (3) pays to the [State] Board a reactivation fee set by the [State] Board.

7 6–312.

8 (a) The [State] Board shall reinstate the [State] license of a master electrician
9 **OR A JOURNEYPerson ELECTRICIAN** who is not on inactive status and who has failed
10 to renew the [State] license for any reason, if the master electrician **OR JOURNEYPerson**
11 **ELECTRICIAN**:

12 (1) applies to the [State] Board for reinstatement within 2 years after the
13 [State] license expires;

14 (2) meets the renewal requirements of § 6–310 of this subtitle; and

15 (3) in addition to the renewal fee required under § 6–310 of this subtitle,
16 pays to the State Board a reinstatement fee set by the [State] Board.

17 (b) If a master electrician **OR A JOURNEYPerson ELECTRICIAN** who has failed
18 to renew the [State] license for any reason applies for reinstatement more than 2 years
19 after the [State] license has expired, the [State] Board shall require the [master]
20 electrician to pay a reinstatement fee set by the [State] Board, and comply with the
21 requirements for obtaining a [State] license under §§ 6–304 and 6–307 of this subtitle and
22 § 6–503 of this title.

23 6–313.

24 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a county or local
25 government may employ an individual as an electrical inspector only if the individual:

26 (i) holds a [State] **MASTER ELECTRICIAN** license or, **BEFORE**
27 **OCTOBER 1, 2024**, A local license, as applicable;

28 (ii) previously held, within the last 5 years, a [State] **MASTER**
29 **ELECTRICIAN** license or, **BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024**, A local license, as applicable, that
30 was not suspended or revoked; or

31 (iii) is certified by:

1 1. the International Code Council as a combination inspector
2 or as an electrical inspector for residential or commercial buildings;

3 2. the North American Board of Certified Energy
4 Practitioners; or

5 3. a certifying entity that is comparable to the entity listed
6 in item 1 or 2 of this item.

7 (2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection does not apply to a county or local
8 government that uses code inspectors or combination building code inspectors to conduct
9 trade-specific inspections on residential or commercial buildings to determine compliance
10 with adopted electrical codes or related building codes.

11 (b) An individual may not have any financial interest in any electrical business
12 while employed by the State, a county, or a local government as an electrical inspector.

13 (c) (1) On appointment or employment as an electrical inspector, the
14 individual:

15 (i) shall place the [State] license of the individual on inactive status;
16 and

17 (ii) except for the renewal fee, shall meet the inactive status
18 requirements of § 6-311 of this subtitle.

19 (2) The [State] Board may issue an electrical inspector identification card
20 to an electrical inspector who has placed the [State] license on inactive status.

21 (3) The [State] Board may not charge a fee to issue the identification card.

22 (d) The [State] Board may change the status of an electrical inspector to
23 individual inactive status, if the electrical inspector:

24 (1) meets the inactive status requirements of § 6-311 of this subtitle; and

25 (2) pays an inactive status fee set by the [State] Board.

26 (e) On termination of the appointment or employment of an individual as an
27 electrical inspector, the [State] Board shall reactivate the [State] license of the individual
28 who is on inactive status, without examination, if the individual meets the reactivation
29 requirements for a [State] license under § 6-311(f) of this subtitle, including payment of
30 the reactivation fee.

31 6-314.

1 Within 10 days after the change, each [State] licensee shall give the [State] Board
2 written notice of a change of:

3 (1) the name of the [State] licensee;

4 (2) the address of:

5 (i) the [State] licensee; or

6 (ii) **BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024**, the person to whom the [State]
7 licensee assigns a local license; or

8 (3) the employment of the [State] licensee, including a change in the
9 assignment of a local license.

10 6–315.

11 The [State] Board may investigate or act in a disciplinary proceeding against a
12 [licensed master electrician] **LICENSEE** notwithstanding:

13 (1) a lapse, by operation of law, of the [State] license of the [master
14 electrician] **LICENSEE**;

15 (2) a suspension of the [State] license of the [master electrician]
16 **LICENSEE** by order of the [State] Board or a court; or

17 (3) a voluntary surrender of the [State] license of the [master electrician]
18 **LICENSEE** to the [State] Board.

19 6–316.

20 (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 6–317 of this subtitle, the [State] Board
21 may deny a [State] license to any applicant, reprimand any [State] licensee, or suspend or
22 revoke a [State] license if the applicant or [State] licensee:

23 (1) fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a [State]
24 license for the applicant, [State] licensee, or another person, **INCLUDING BY CERTIFYING**
25 **ON A LICENSE RENEWAL APPLICATION THAT AN APPLICANT HAS COMPLETED THE**
26 **CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSE RENEWAL IF THE APPLICANT**
27 **HAS NOT FULLY COMPLETED THE REQUIREMENT AT THE TIME THE APPLICANT**
28 **SUBMITS THE APPLICATION**;

29 (2) fraudulently or deceptively uses a [State] license;

- 1 (3) transfers the authority granted by a [State] license to another person;
- 2 (4) engages in an unfair or deceptive trade practice, as defined in § 13–301
3 of the Commercial Law Article;
- 4 (5) willfully or deliberately disregards and violates a building code,
5 electrical code, or law of the State or a local jurisdiction;
- 6 (6) under the laws of the United States or of any state, is convicted of:
- 7 (i) a felony; or
- 8 (ii) a misdemeanor that is directly related to the fitness and
9 qualification of the applicant or licensee to provide electrical services;
- 10 (7) aids or abets a person to evade a provision of this title;
- 11 (8) willfully or deliberately disregards disciplinary action taken by a local
12 jurisdiction **AGAINST THE APPLICANT OR LICENSEE IN CONNECTION WITH THE**
13 **PROVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**
- 14 (9) [fails in a material respect to comply with a provision of this title]
15 **MAKES A MATERIAL MISREPRESENTATION IN THE PROCUREMENT OF A CONTRACT**
16 **OR PROJECT TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**
- 17 (10) fails to train and control adequately a person who, while under the
18 supervision of the [State] licensee, sells or estimates electrical work **OR PROVIDES OR**
19 **ASSISTS IN PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**
- 20 (11) fails to maintain a local license **IF REQUIRED** under § 6–601 of this
21 title; [or]
- 22 (12) fails to maintain the general liability and property damage insurance
23 required under [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title;
- 24 **(13) OFFERS OR PROVIDES ELECTRICAL SERVICES OUTSIDE THE**
25 **SCOPE OF THE LICENSE HELD BY THE LICENSEE;**
- 26 **(14) PERMITS ANOTHER LICENSEE TO PROVIDE SERVICES OUTSIDE**
27 **THE SCOPE OF THAT INDIVIDUAL’S LICENSE;**
- 28 **(15) ABANDONS OR FAILS TO PERFORM, WITHOUT JUSTIFICATION, A**
29 **CONTRACT OR PROJECT TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**
- 30 **(16) PERFORMS WORK UNDER A CONTRACT OR PROJECT OF**

1 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES THAT IS INADEQUATE OR INCOMPLETE;**

2 **(17) DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY PUBLISHES AN ADVERTISEMENT**
3 **RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES THAT CONTAINS A**
4 **REPRESENTATION OR A STATEMENT THAT IS FALSE, DECEPTIVE, OR MISLEADING;**

5 **(18) VIOLATES ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE; OR**

6 **(19) VIOLATES ANY REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER THIS TITLE.**

7 (b) Allowing a [State] license to be used by another person is, in a disciplinary
8 proceeding under this section, prima facie evidence that a [State] licensee transferred the
9 authority granted by a [State] license to another person.

10 (c) The Board shall consider the following facts in the granting, denial, renewal,
11 suspension, or revocation of a license or the reprimand of a licensee when an applicant or
12 licensee is convicted of a felony or misdemeanor described in subsection (a)(6) of this
13 section:

14 (1) the nature of the crime;

15 (2) the relationship of the crime to the activities authorized by the license;

16 (3) with respect to a felony, the relevance of the conviction to the fitness
17 and qualification of the applicant or licensee to provide electrical services;

18 (4) the length of time since the conviction; and

19 (5) the behavior and activities of the applicant or licensee before and after
20 the conviction.

21 6–317.

22 (a) Except as otherwise provided in § 10–226 of the State Government Article,
23 before the [State] Board takes any final action under § 6–316 of this subtitle, it shall give
24 the individual against whom the action is contemplated an opportunity for a hearing before
25 the [State] Board.

26 (b) The [State] Board shall give notice and hold the hearing in accordance with
27 Title 10, Subtitle 2 of the State Government Article.

28 (c) If, after due notice, the individual against whom the action is contemplated
29 fails or refuses to appear, nevertheless the [State] Board may hear and determine the
30 matter.

1 6–318.

2 Any person aggrieved by a final decision of the [State] Board in a contested case, as
3 defined in § 10–202 of the State Government Article, may take an appeal as allowed in §§
4 10–222 and 10–223 of the State Government Article.

5 6–319.

6 (a) [The State Board may not suspend a State license for more than 1 year.

7 (b) The State Board may not revoke a State license for less than 1 year.

8 (c) If [a State license is suspended, the State] **THE BOARD, AFTER A HEARING,**
9 **SUSPENDS A LICENSE, THE** Board may allow the licensee to complete a contract to provide
10 electrical services that is in progress and uncompleted at the time of suspension.

11 [(d) (B) (1) If a [State] license is revoked, the [State] Board may reinstate
12 the [State] license after **NO LESS THAN** 1 year.

13 (2) A [State] license that has been revoked may be reinstated under this
14 subsection if:

15 (i) the individual whose [State] license has been revoked submits a
16 written request to the [State] Board;

17 (ii) the [State] Board holds a hearing on the request; and

18 (iii) the [State] Board makes a determination to reinstate the [State]
19 license.

20 [6–506.

21 (a) Subject to subsection (b) of this section, an individual who holds a reciprocal
22 license may assign it to a person who engages in the business of providing electrical services
23 if the individual is employed principally by the person.

24 (b) An individual may reassign the reciprocal license of the individual once in a
25 fiscal year.]

26 [6–603.

27 (a) A master electrician may obtain an electrical permit or any other similar
28 permit from a local jurisdiction, if the master electrician:

29 (1) holds an active local license, if required, or a State license;

1 (2) shows proof of the State license; and

2 (3) pays any permit fee that the local jurisdiction requires.

3 (b) Before a local jurisdiction issues an electrical permit or similar permit to a
4 master electrician under this section, the local jurisdiction shall give the master electrician
5 notice of any local electrical requirements with which the master electrician shall comply
6 while providing electrical services in that local jurisdiction.

7 (c) On payment of the permit fee that the local jurisdiction requires, the local
8 jurisdiction shall issue the appropriate permit to each applicant who meets the
9 requirements of this section.]

10 [6-604.] **6-603.**

11 (a) This section does not apply to a [State] licensee on inactive status.

12 (b) A master electrician who is licensed by the [State] Board and provides
13 electrical services or, **BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024**, a person to whom the master electrician
14 assigns a local license under this title shall:

15 (1) maintain general liability insurance in the amount of at least \$300,000;

16 (2) maintain property damage insurance in the amount of at least
17 \$100,000; and

18 (3) submit proof of the required insurance to the [State] Board.

19 (c) (1) An applicant for a [State] license shall submit proof of the insurance
20 required under this section to the [State] Board with the license application.

21 (2) The [State] Board may not issue a [State] license to an applicant to
22 whom the insurance requirements of this section would apply unless the applicant submits
23 proof of the insurance.

24 (d) Unless an applicant meets the insurance requirements of this section, the
25 [State] Board may not renew a [State] license of the applicant to whom the insurance
26 requirements of this section would apply.

27 (e) If the insurance required under this section is canceled, the insurer shall
28 notify the [State] Board within 10 days after the date of cancellation.

29 (f) If a local jurisdiction requires an applicant for a local license to execute a bond
30 to the local jurisdiction, the applicant may satisfy the bond requirement by submitting proof
31 of the insurance required under this section.

1 **[6-605.**

2 A licensed master electrician or a person to whom a master electrician assigns a local
3 license may employ an individual who is not a licensed master electrician under this title
4 to provide electrical services if the individual provides the services only while under the
5 supervision and control of a licensed master electrician.]

6 **6-604.**

7 **AN ADVERTISEMENT FOR A PERSON PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES MUST**
8 **CONTAIN THE LICENSE NUMBER AND NAME OF THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN WHO IS**
9 **EMPLOYED AND DESIGNATED TO DIRECT AND CONTROL THE PROVISION OF**
10 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES THROUGH THE BUSINESS OF THE PERSON.**

11 **6-605.**

12 **(A) A MASTER ELECTRICIAN SHALL DISPLAY CONSPICUOUSLY IN THE**
13 **PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS OF THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN:**

14 **(1) THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN'S LICENSE; AND**

15 **(2) THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN'S LICENSE NUMBER.**

16 **(B) A MASTER ELECTRICIAN WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISING THE**
17 **PROVISION OF ELECTRICAL SERVICES BY INDIVIDUALS AUTHORIZED TO OPERATE A**
18 **VEHICLE USED ON THE JOB SHALL DISPLAY ON THE VEHICLE:**

19 **(1) THE NAME OF THE BUSINESS PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES;**
20 **AND**

21 **(2) THE LICENSE NUMBER OF THE MASTER ELECTRICIAN.**

22 **(C) A LICENSEE SHALL GIVE THE BOARD WRITTEN NOTICE OF ANY CHANGE**
23 **OF NAME, ADDRESS, OR EMPLOYMENT FROM THAT WHICH APPEARS ON THE**
24 **CURRENT LICENSE AT LEAST 10 BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE CHANGE IS TO TAKE**
25 **EFFECT.**

26 **6-606.**

27 **(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, A PERSON MAY NOT:**

28 **(1) PROVIDE, ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE, OR OFFER TO PROVIDE**
29 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR COMPENSATION IN THE STATE WITHOUT AN**
30 **APPROPRIATE LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS TITLE;**

1 **(2) ASSIST, ATTEMPT TO ASSIST, OR OFFER TO ASSIST IN PROVIDING**
2 **ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR COMPENSATION IN THE STATE WITHOUT AN**
3 **APPROPRIATE LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS TITLE;**

4 **(3) PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR COMPENSATION WITHOUT**
5 **OBTAINING A PERMIT FOR THE SERVICES REQUIRED BY A LOCAL JURISDICTION; OR**

6 **(4) PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES BEYOND THE SCOPE OF THE**
7 **LICENSE ISSUED TO THE PERSON UNDER THIS TITLE.**

8 **6-607.**

9 **(A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, A PERSON MAY NOT**
10 **EMPLOY AN INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING ELECTRICAL**
11 **SERVICES UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL:**

12 **(1) IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS A MASTER ELECTRICIAN; OR**

13 **(2) (I) IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD AS A JOURNEYPERSON**
14 **ELECTRICIAN; AND**

15 **(II) PROVIDES OR ASSISTS IN PROVIDING THE ELECTRICAL**
16 **SERVICES WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE LICENSE.**

17 **(B) A PERSON MAY NOT EMPLOY AN INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN**
18 **PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES UNDER A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT SUBJECT TO**
19 **TITLE 17, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT ARTICLE**
20 **UNLESS THE INDIVIDUAL IS LICENSED BY THE BOARD.**

21 **(C) A PERSON MAY NOT CLASSIFY AN EMPLOYEE UNDER A PUBLIC WORKS**
22 **CONTRACT SUBJECT TO TITLE 17, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE FINANCE AND**
23 **PROCUREMENT ARTICLE WHO IS LICENSED UNDER THIS TITLE AT A SPECIFIC WORK**
24 **CLASSIFICATION THAT IS HIGHER THAN THE EMPLOYEE'S LICENSE TYPE.**

25 **6-608.**

26 **UNLESS AUTHORIZED UNDER THIS TITLE TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES,**
27 **A PERSON MAY NOT REPRESENT TO THE PUBLIC, BY USE OF A TITLE, INCLUDING**
28 **“MASTER ELECTRICIAN”, “REGISTERED ELECTRICIAN”, “LICENSED MASTER**
29 **ELECTRICIAN”, “JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN”, “REGISTERED**
30 **JOURNEYPERSON”, “LICENSED JOURNEYPERSON ELECTRICIAN”, OR BY**
31 **DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES, METHODS, OR PROCEDURES, OR OTHERWISE, THAT THE**

1 PERSON IS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE ELECTRICAL SERVICES IN THE STATE.

2 **6-609.**

3 (A) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "OFFICER" INCLUDES A SUPERINTENDENT, A
4 MANAGER, OR AN AGENT OF A CORPORATION, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER IT
5 ENGAGES IN THE BUSINESS OF PROVIDING ELECTRICAL SERVICES.

6 (B) ANY PERSON, INCLUDING AN OFFICER, WHO VIOLATES §§ 6-604
7 THROUGH 6-608 OF THIS SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON
8 CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO:

9 (1) A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT
10 EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR BOTH; AND

11 (2) ON A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT CONVICTION, A FINE NOT
12 EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 2 YEARS OR BOTH.

13 (C) ANY PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF § 6-603 OF THIS
14 SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A FINE
15 NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 6 MONTHS OR BOTH.

16 (D) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTIES UNDER THIS TITLE, THE BOARD
17 MAY IMPOSE ON A PERSON WHO VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE A
18 PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION.

19 (E) IN DETERMINING THE PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER SUBSECTION (D) OF
20 THIS SECTION, THE BOARD SHALL CONSIDER:

21 (1) THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE VIOLATION;

22 (2) THE GOOD FAITH OF THE VIOLATOR;

23 (3) ANY PREVIOUS VIOLATIONS BY THE VIOLATOR;

24 (4) THE HARMFUL EFFECT OF THE VIOLATION; AND

25 (5) ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS.

26 **6-701.**

27 This title may be cited as the ["Maryland [Master] Electricians Act"].

28 **6-702.**

1 Subject to the evaluation and reestablishment provisions of the Maryland Program
2 Evaluation Act, this title and all regulations adopted under this title shall terminate and
3 be of no effect after July 1, [2023] **2028**.

4 Article – Public Safety

5 12–603.

6 Each electrical installation in the State shall conform to:

7 (1) the National Electrical Code; [or]

8 **(2) THE STATE ELECTRICAL CODE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF**
9 **ELECTRICIANS UNDER § 6–205 OF THE BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS**
10 **ARTICLE; OR**

11 **[(2)] (3)** the electrical code and amendments adopted by the county in
12 which the electrical installation is done.

13 Article – Business Regulation

14 2–106.9.

15 (a) In this section, “Fund” means the State Occupational Mechanical Licensing
16 Boards’ Fund.

17 (b) This section applies to the following occupational licensing boards:

18 (1) the [State] Board of [Master] Electricians established under Title 6 of
19 the Business Occupations and Professions Article;

20 (2) the State Board of Stationary Engineers established under Title 6.5 of
21 the Business Occupations and Professions Article;

22 (3) the State Board of Plumbing established under Title 12 of the Business
23 Occupations and Professions Article; and

24 (4) the State Board of Heating, Ventilation,
25 Air–Conditioning, and Refrigeration Contractors established under Title 9A of this article.

26 (c) (1) There is a State Occupational Mechanical Licensing Boards’ Fund in
27 the Department.

28 (2) The Fund is a special, nonlapsing fund that is not subject to § 7–302 of
29 the State Finance and Procurement Article.

1 (d) (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, each occupational licensing board
2 described in subsection (b) of this section shall pay all fees collected to the Comptroller.

3 (2) The Comptroller shall distribute the fees to the Fund.

4 (e) The Fund shall be used to cover the actual documented direct and indirect
5 costs of fulfilling the statutory and regulatory duties of each occupational licensing board
6 described in subsection (b) of this section.

7 (f) The Secretary or a designee of the Secretary shall administer the Fund.

8 (g) The legislative auditor shall audit the accounts and transactions of the Fund
9 as provided in § 2-1220 of the State Government Article.

10 (h) At the end of each fiscal year, any unspent and unencumbered portion of the
11 Fund in excess of \$100,000 shall revert to the General Fund of the State.

12 (i) Any investment earnings of the Fund shall be credited to the General Fund of
13 the State.

14 2-108.

15 (a) The following units are in the Department:

16 (1) the Division of Labor and Industry.

17 (2) the Division of Employment and Training.

18 (3) the Commissioner of Financial Regulation.

19 (4) the State Board of Architects.

20 (5) the State Athletic Commission.

21 (6) the State Board of Barbers.

22 (7) the Board of Boiler Rules.

23 (8) the State Collection Agency Licensing Board.

24 (9) the State Board of Cosmetologists.

25 (10) the [State] Board of [Master] Electricians.

26 (11) the State Board of Stationary Engineers.

- 1 (12) the State Board for Professional Engineers.
- 2 (13) the State Board of Foresters.
- 3 (14) the State Board of Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and
4 Refrigeration Contractors.
- 5 (15) the Maryland Home Improvement Commission.
- 6 (16) the State Board of Certified Interior Designers.
- 7 (17) the State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects.
- 8 (18) the State Board for Professional Land Surveyors.
- 9 (19) the State Board of Pilots.
- 10 (20) the State Board of Plumbing.
- 11 (21) the State Board of Public Accountancy.
- 12 (22) the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers.
- 13 (23) the State Racing Commission.
- 14 (24) the State Real Estate Commission.
- 15 (25) the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers, Appraisal
16 Management Companies, and Home Inspectors.
- 17 (26) the Real Estate Hearing Board.
- 18 (27) the State of Maryland Deposit Insurance Fund Corporation.
- 19 (28) the Maryland Jockey Injury Compensation Fund, Inc.
- 20 (29) the State Amusement Ride Safety Advisory Board.
- 21 (30) the Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board.
- 22 (31) the Maryland–Bred Race Fund Advisory Committee.
- 23 (32) the Maryland Standardbred Race Fund Advisory Committee.
- 24 (33) the Advisory Council on Prevailing Wage Rates.
- 25 (b) The Department also includes each other unit that is assigned to the

1 Department.

2 (c) (1) Each unit created within the Department shall include at least 1
3 consumer member.

4 (2) Each consumer member of the unit:

5 (i) shall be a member of the general public;

6 (ii) may not be a licensee or otherwise be subject to regulation by the
7 unit;

8 (iii) may not be required to meet the qualifications for the
9 professional members of the unit; and

10 (iv) may not, within 1 year before appointment, have had a financial
11 interest in or have received compensation from a person regulated by the unit.

12 (3) While a member of the unit, a consumer member may not:

13 (i) have a financial interest in or receive compensation from a
14 person regulated by the unit; or

15 (ii) grade any examination given by or for the unit.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
17 as follows:

18 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

19 6–320.

20 Within 30 days after taking action, the [State] Board shall give each local board or
21 building official notice of the name of each [licensed master electrician] LICENSEE whose [State]
22 license has been suspended, revoked, or reinstated by the [State] Board.

23 6–321.

24 (a) (1) When a county or municipal corporation that requires a local license
25 initiates a disciplinary action against a [licensed master electrician] LICENSEE, the county
26 or municipal corporation shall report the disciplinary action to the [State] Board within 30
27 days of commencement of the action.

28 (2) When the [State] Board receives notice of a local disciplinary action
29 against a [licensed master electrician] LICENSEE, the [State] Board shall provide notice
30 of the disciplinary action to each local licensing jurisdiction.

1 (b) Each local licensing jurisdiction shall submit a report to the [State] Board on
2 the number of complaints against [master electricians] LICENSEES licensed in the local
3 jurisdiction on or before December 1 of each year.

4 6-401.

5 (a) Subject to the limitations in this subtitle, an individual who holds a State
6 license or qualifies for a State license may use the State license to:

7 (1) obtain a local **MASTER OR JOURNEYPERSON LEVEL** license; and

8 (2) assign that local **MASTER LEVEL** license to another person, including
9 a sole proprietorship, who engages in the business of providing electrical services.

10 (b) (1) Subject to the limitations in this section, if an individual obtains a State
11 license on the basis of a local license under Subtitle 5 of this title and that local license has
12 been assigned to a person who engages in the business of providing electrical services, the
13 individual shall identify on the State license the person to whom that local license has been
14 assigned.

15 (2) Subject to the limitations in this section, if an individual obtains a local
16 **MASTER LEVEL** license on the basis of a State license and intends to assign that local
17 **MASTER LEVEL** license to a person who engages in the business of providing electrical
18 services, the individual shall identify on the State license the person to whom that local
19 **MASTER LEVEL** license is to be assigned.

20 (c) (1) If, at the time of application for a State license, an individual intends
21 to assign a local **MASTER LEVEL** license obtained on the basis of the State license, the
22 individual shall:

23 (i) meet the requirements for issuance of a [State] license under §
24 6-309 of this title;

25 (ii) include, on the application form submitted to the [State] Board,
26 the name of the person to whom the local **MASTER LEVEL** license is to be assigned;

27 (iii) pay the appropriate [State] license fee under § 6-309 of this title;
28 and

29 (iv) submit to the [State] Board proof of general liability and
30 property damage insurance as required under [§ 6-604] **§ 6-603** of this title.

31 (2) If an individual obtains a [State] **MASTER ELECTRICIAN** license on the
32 basis of a local **MASTER LEVEL** license that has been assigned, the individual shall:

1 (i) meet the requirements for issuance of a [State] license under §
2 6–309 of this title;

3 (ii) include, on an application form submitted to the [State] Board,
4 the name of the person to whom the local license has been assigned;

5 (iii) pay the appropriate [State] license fee under
6 § 6–309 of this title; and

7 (iv) submit to the [State] Board proof of general liability and
8 property damage insurance as required under [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title.

9 (3) If, after issuance of a [State] **MASTER ELECTRICIAN** license to an
10 individual, the individual intends to assign a local **MASTER LEVEL** license obtained on the
11 basis of the State license, the individual shall:

12 (i) meet the notification requirements of § 6–314 of this title;

13 (ii) submit to the [State] Board an application for identification of
14 the assignment on the State license;

15 (iii) pay to the [State] Board an identification fee set by the Board;

16 (iv) submit to the [State] Board proof of general liability and
17 property damage insurance as required under [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this title; and

18 (v) return the State license.

19 (d) (1) If an individual obtains a local **MASTER LEVEL** license by the use of the
20 State license of the individual, the local license may be assigned at any 1 time to only 1
21 person who engages in the business of providing electrical services.

22 (2) If at any time an individual holds 2 or more current local **MASTER**
23 **LEVEL** licenses that were obtained by the use of a State license, the individual may assign
24 those local **MASTER LEVEL** licenses only if the assignment is made to the same person.

25 6–402.

26 (a) [Subject] **ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the
27 limitations in this section and § 6–314 of this title, [a master electrician] **AN INDIVIDUAL**
28 who [is licensed by the State Board] **HOLDS A STATE LICENSE** and who assigns a local
29 **MASTER LEVEL** license to a person who engages in the business of providing electrical
30 services may change that assignment.

31 (b) To change an assignment of a local **MASTER LEVEL** license, an applicant

1 shall:

2 (1) submit to the [State] Board an application on the form that the [State]
3 Board provides;

4 (2) pay to the [State] Board a change of status fee set by the Board;

5 (3) submit to the [State] Board proof of the change of status of the local
6 **MASTER LEVEL** license; and

7 (4) return the State license to the [State] Board.

8 (c) On payment of the change of status fee, the [State] Board shall issue a new
9 license to the applicant.

10 (d) The [State] Board shall give each local jurisdiction notice of any change in the
11 status of a local **MASTER LEVEL** license obtained by the use of a State license that will
12 affect the status of the State license.

13 6-501.

14 (A) In this subtitle, “reciprocal license”:

15 (1) means a **MASTER OR JOURNEYPERSON** license to provide electrical
16 services issued by:

17 (i) the [State] Board on the basis of a **MASTER OR**
18 **JOURNEYPERSON** license issued by a local jurisdiction; or

19 (ii) a local jurisdiction on the basis of a license issued by[:

20 1.] the [State] Board[; or

21 2. another local jurisdiction]; and

22 (2) includes any type or class of license that the [State] Board or a local
23 jurisdiction issues to provide electrical services.

24 (B) **“RECIPROCAL LICENSE” DOES NOT INCLUDE A MASTER OR**
25 **JOURNEYPERSON LEVEL LICENSE TO PROVIDE OR ASSIST IN PROVIDING**
26 **ELECTRICIAN SERVICES ISSUED BY A LOCAL JURISDICTION ON THE BASIS OF A**
27 **SIMILAR LICENSE ISSUED BY ANOTHER LOCAL JURISDICTION.**

28 6-502.

1 (a) [Subject] **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the
2 limitations in this title, the [State] Board may reciprocate with a local jurisdiction to waive
3 any of the qualifications required for any license issued under this title for an applicant for
4 a reciprocal license.

5 (b) [Subject] **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the
6 limitations in this subtitle, each local jurisdiction may reciprocate with the [State] Board
7 or another local jurisdiction to waive any local examination requirement and the
8 qualifications required for taking a local examination for an applicant for a reciprocal
9 license.

10 6–503.

11 (a) [Subject] **ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the
12 limitations in this subtitle, an individual may qualify for a reciprocal license from the
13 [State] Board if the individual:

14 (1) holds a license from a local jurisdiction of the State to provide electrical
15 services in the local jurisdiction;

16 (2) applies for a reciprocal license of the same class or type that the [State]
17 Board issues; and

18 (3) at the time of application, does not have:

19 (i) the same class or type of license suspended or revoked by a local
20 jurisdiction of the State; or

21 (ii) a record of outstanding violations of the regulations of a local
22 jurisdiction of the State.

23 (b) The [State] Board shall waive any of the qualifications required for a license
24 under this title for an individual who:

25 (1) holds a license, from a local jurisdiction of the State, of the same class
26 or type as the license for which the applicant is seeking a waiver; and

27 (2) meets the waiver requirements of subsection (c) of this section.

28 (c) The [State] Board shall grant a waiver under this section for an applicant who
29 holds a license from a local jurisdiction only if the applicant:

30 (1) (i) 1. qualified for the license by passing an examination given
31 in the local jurisdiction; and

32 2. has held the license for at least 1 year immediately before

1 the date of application; or

2 (ii) 1. qualified for the license other than by passing an
3 examination in the local jurisdiction; and

4 2. has held the license for at least 2 years immediately before
5 the date of application;

6 (2) submits a written statement from the local jurisdiction certifying:

7 (i) if the license is issued on the basis of an examination, the date of
8 issuance of the license; and

9 (ii) the licensee:

10 1. is in good standing with the local jurisdiction; and

11 2. has no record of outstanding violations of regulations of
12 the local jurisdiction;

13 (3) pays any reciprocal license fee required under this title;

14 (4) if required, submits proof of general liability insurance to the [State]
15 Board; and

16 (5) complies with any other licensing requirements of the [State] Board.

17 6–504.

18 (a) **[Subject] ON OR BEFORE MARCH 31, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the
19 limitations in this subtitle, an individual may qualify for a reciprocal license from a local
20 jurisdiction of the State if the individual:

21 (1) is licensed by another local jurisdiction of the State to provide electrical
22 services in that local jurisdiction;

23 (2) applies for a reciprocal license of the same class or type as the license
24 that the individual holds in that local jurisdiction; and

25 (3) at the time of application, does not have:

26 (i) a license of the same class or type suspended or revoked by a local
27 jurisdiction of the State; or

28 (ii) a record of outstanding violations of the regulations of a local
29 jurisdiction of the State.

1 (b) A local jurisdiction of the State that issues a license to provide electrical
2 services shall waive any of the licensing qualifications of the local jurisdiction for an
3 individual who:

4 (1) (i) is a resident of the State; or

5 (ii) meets the legal requirements of the State for establishing a
6 principal place of business in the State;

7 (2) holds a license, from another local jurisdiction of the State, of the same
8 class or type as the license for which the applicant is seeking a waiver; and

9 (3) meets the waiver requirements of subsection (c) of this section.

10 (c) A local jurisdiction shall grant a waiver under this section for an applicant
11 who holds a license from another local jurisdiction only if the applicant:

12 (1) (i) 1. qualified for the license by passing an examination given
13 in that local jurisdiction; and

14 2. has held the license for at least 1 year immediately before
15 the date of application; or

16 (ii) 1. qualified for the license other than by passing an
17 examination in that local jurisdiction; and

18 2. has held the license for at least 2 years immediately before
19 the date of application;

20 (2) submits a written statement from the local jurisdiction certifying:

21 (i) if a license is issued on the basis of an examination, the date of
22 issuance of the license; and

23 (ii) the licensee:

24 1. is in good standing with the local jurisdiction; and

25 2. has no record of outstanding violations of the regulations
26 of the local jurisdiction;

27 (3) pays any reciprocal license fee required by the local jurisdiction;

28 (4) if required:

29 (i) executes a bond to the local jurisdiction; or

1 (ii) submits proof of general liability insurance to the local
2 jurisdiction; and

3 (5) complies with any other licensing requirements of the local jurisdiction.

4 6–505.

5 (a) Before **OCTOBER 1, 2024, BEFORE** a reciprocal license expires, the licensee
6 periodically may renew it for an additional term, if the licensee:

7 (1) otherwise is entitled to be licensed;

8 (2) pays a renewal fee to:

9 (i) the [State] Board as required under this title; or

10 (ii) the local jurisdiction from which the reciprocal license is sought;
11 and

12 (3) meets any other requirement for renewal set by:

13 (i) the [State] Board; or

14 (ii) the local jurisdiction from which the reciprocal license is sought.

15 (b) A reciprocal license issued to an individual who has failed to renew the license
16 may not be reinstated.

17 (c) A reciprocal license issued under this subtitle is not transferable.

18 6–601.

19 [Within] **ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2024, WITHIN** 60 days after the issuance of a
20 [State] **MASTER ELECTRICIAN** license to an individual, the individual shall hold a local
21 license issued by the local jurisdiction where the individual:

22 (1) resides;

23 (2) has a principal business office; or

24 (3) has a resident agent.

25 6–602.

26 (a) [Subject] **BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND SUBJECT** to the limitations in
27 this section, a local jurisdiction shall waive its examination requirements for an individual

1 who is licensed by the [State] Board to provide electrical services as a master electrician
2 **OR JOURNEYPerson ELECTRICIAN.**

3 (b) A local jurisdiction shall grant a waiver under this section only if the
4 applicant:

5 (1) pays any license fee that the local jurisdiction requires; and

6 (2) provides adequate evidence that the applicant:

7 (i) is licensed as a master electrician **OR JOURNEYPerson**
8 **ELECTRICIAN** under this title after passing an examination given by the [State] Board or
9 complies with § 6–307 of this title;

10 (ii) holds an active [State] **MASTER ELECTRICIAN OR**
11 **JOURNEYPerson ELECTRICIAN** license **ISSUED BY THE BOARD**; and

12 (iii) in place of any bond requirement of a local jurisdiction, meets the
13 insurance requirements of [§ 6–604] **§ 6–603** of this subtitle.

14 (c) Within 10 working days after payment of any local license fee, a local
15 jurisdiction shall issue a local license to each applicant who meets the requirements of this
16 section.

17 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
18 as follows:

19 **Article – Business Occupations and Professions**

20 6–311.

21 (e) If a former licensee on inactive status who has failed to renew the inactive
22 status within 2 years of its expiration reapplies for that status, the Board shall require the
23 former licensee to comply with the requirements for obtaining a license under §§ 6–304 and
24 6–307 of this subtitle [and § 6–503 of this title] as well as the requirements for inactive
25 status under this section.

26 6–312.

27 (b) If a master electrician or a journeyperson electrician who has failed to renew
28 the license for any reason applies for reinstatement more than 2 years after the license has
29 expired, the Board shall require the individual to pay a reinstatement fee set by the Board,
30 and comply with the requirements for obtaining a license under §§ 6–304 and 6–307 of this
31 subtitle [and § 6–503 of this title].

32 [6–320.

1 (i) meet the requirements for issuance of a license under § 6–309 of
2 this title;

3 (ii) include, on the application form submitted to the [State] Board,
4 the name of the person to whom the local master level license is to be assigned;

5 (iii) pay the appropriate license fee under § 6–309 of this title; and

6 (iv) submit to the Board proof of general liability and property
7 damage insurance as required under § 6–603 of this title.

8 (2) If an individual obtains a master electrician license on the basis of a
9 local master level license that has been assigned, the individual shall:

10 (i) meet the requirements for issuance of a license under § 6–309 of
11 this title;

12 (ii) include, on an application form submitted to the Board, the name
13 of the person to whom the local license has been assigned;

14 (iii) pay the appropriate license fee under
15 § 6–309 of this title; and

16 (iv) submit to the Board proof of general liability and property
17 damage insurance as required under § 6–603 of this title.

18 (3) If, after issuance of a master electrician license to an individual, the
19 individual intends to assign a local master level license obtained on the basis of the State
20 license, the individual shall:

21 (i) meet the notification requirements of § 6–314 of this title;

22 (ii) submit to the Board an application for identification of the
23 assignment on the State license;

24 (iii) pay to the Board an identification fee set by the Board;

25 (iv) submit to the Board proof of general liability and property
26 damage insurance as required under § 6–603 of this title; and

27 (v) return the State license.

28 (d) (1) If an individual obtains a local master level license by the use of the
29 State license of the individual, the local license may be assigned at any 1 time to only 1
30 person who engages in the business of providing electrical services.

31 (2) If at any time an individual holds 2 or more current local master level

1 licenses that were obtained by the use of a State license, the individual may assign those
2 local master level licenses only if the assignment is made to the same person.]

3 [6-402.

4 (a) On or before September 30, 2024, and subject to the limitations in this section
5 and § 6-314 of this title, an individual who holds a State license and who assigns a local
6 master level license to a person who engages in the business of providing electrical services
7 may change that assignment.

8 (b) To change an assignment of a local master level license, an applicant shall:

9 (1) submit to the Board an application on the form that the Board provides;

10 (2) pay to the Board a change of status fee set by the Board;

11 (3) submit to the Board proof of the change of status of the local master
12 level license; and

13 (4) return the State license to the Board.

14 (c) On payment of the change of status fee, the Board shall issue a new license to
15 the applicant.

16 (d) The Board shall give each local jurisdiction notice of any change in the status
17 of a local master level license obtained by the use of a State license that will affect the
18 status of the State license.]

19 [Subtitle 5. Reciprocity.]

20 [6-501.

21 (a) In this subtitle, “reciprocal license”:

22 (1) means a master or journeyman license to provide electrical services
23 issued by:

24 (i) the Board on the basis of a master or journeyman license
25 issued by a local jurisdiction; or

26 (ii) a local jurisdiction on the basis of a license issued by the Board;
27 and

28 (2) includes any type or class of license that the Board or a local jurisdiction
29 issues to provide electrical services.

30 (b) “Reciprocal license” does not include a master or journeyman level license

1 to provide or assist in providing electrician services issues by a local jurisdiction on the
2 basis of a similar license issued by another local jurisdiction.]

3 [6-502.

4 (a) On or before March 31, 2024, and subject to the limitations in this title, the
5 Board may reciprocate with a local jurisdiction to waive any of the qualifications required
6 for any license issued under this title for an applicant for a reciprocal license.

7 (b) On or before March 31, 2024, and subject to the limitations in this subtitle,
8 each local jurisdiction may reciprocate with the Board or another local jurisdiction to waive
9 any local examination requirement and the qualifications required for taking a local
10 examination for an applicant for a reciprocal license.]

11 [6-503.

12 (a) On or before September 30, 2024, and subject to the limitations in this
13 subtitle, an individual may qualify for a reciprocal license from the Board if the individual:

14 (1) holds a license from a local jurisdiction of the State to provide electrical
15 services in the local jurisdiction;

16 (2) applies for a reciprocal license of the same class or type that the Board
17 issues; and

18 (3) at the time of application, does not have:

19 (i) the same class or type of license suspended or revoked by a local
20 jurisdiction of the State; or

21 (ii) a record of outstanding violations of the regulations of a local
22 jurisdiction of the State.

23 (b) The Board shall waive any of the qualifications required for a license under
24 this title for an individual who:

25 (1) holds a license, from a local jurisdiction of the State, of the same class
26 or type as the license for which the applicant is seeking a waiver; and

27 (2) meets the waiver requirements of subsection (c) of this section.

28 (c) The Board shall grant a waiver under this section for an applicant who holds
29 a license from a local jurisdiction only if the applicant:

30 (1) (i) 1. qualified for the license by passing an examination given
31 in the local jurisdiction; and

1 (b) A local jurisdiction of the State that issues a license to provide electrical
2 services shall waive any of the licensing qualifications of the local jurisdiction for an
3 individual who:

4 (1) (i) is a resident of the State; or

5 (ii) meets the legal requirements of the State for establishing a
6 principal place of business in the State;

7 (2) holds a license, from another local jurisdiction of the State, of the same
8 class or type as the license for which the applicant is seeking a waiver; and

9 (3) meets the waiver requirements of subsection (c) of this section.

10 (c) A local jurisdiction shall grant a waiver under this section for an applicant
11 who holds a license from another local jurisdiction only if the applicant:

12 (1) (i) 1. qualified for the license by passing an examination given
13 in that local jurisdiction; and

14 2. has held the license for at least 1 year immediately before
15 the date of application; or

16 (ii) 1. qualified for the license other than by passing an
17 examination in that local jurisdiction; and

18 2. has held the license for at least 2 years immediately before
19 the date of application;

20 (2) submits a written statement from the local jurisdiction certifying:

21 (i) if a license is issued on the basis of an examination, the date of
22 issuance of the license; and

23 (ii) the licensee:

24 1. is in good standing with the local jurisdiction; and

25 2. has no record of outstanding violations of the regulations
26 of the local jurisdiction;

27 (3) pays any reciprocal license fee required by the local jurisdiction;

28 (4) if required:

29 (i) executes a bond to the local jurisdiction; or

1 (ii) submits proof of general liability insurance to the local
2 jurisdiction; and

3 (5) complies with any other licensing requirements of the local
4 jurisdiction.]

5 [6-505.

6 (a) Before October 1, 2024, before a reciprocal license expires, the licensee
7 periodically may renew it for an additional term, if the licensee:

8 (1) otherwise is entitled to be licensed;

9 (2) pays a renewal fee to:

10 (i) the Board as required under this title; or

11 (ii) the local jurisdiction from which the reciprocal license is sought;
12 and

13 (3) meets any other requirement for renewal set by:

14 (i) the Board; or

15 (ii) the local jurisdiction from which the reciprocal license is sought.

16 (b) A reciprocal license issued to an individual who has failed to renew the license
17 may not be reinstated.

18 (c) A reciprocal license issued under this subtitle is not transferable.]

19 [6-601.

20 On or before August 1, 2024, within 60 days after the issuance of a master electrician
21 license to an individual, the individual shall hold a local license issued by the local
22 jurisdiction where the individual:

23 (1) resides;

24 (2) has a principal business office; or

25 (3) has a resident agent.]

26 [6-602.

1 (a) Before October 1, 2024, and subject to the limitations in this section, a local
2 jurisdiction shall waive its examination requirements for an individual who is licensed by
3 the Board to provide electrical services as a master electrician or journeyman electrician.

4 (b) A local jurisdiction shall grant a waiver under this section only if the
5 applicant:

6 (1) pays any license fee that the local jurisdiction requires; and

7 (2) provides adequate evidence that the applicant:

8 (i) is licensed as a master electrician or journeyman electrician
9 under this title after passing an examination given by the Board or complies with § 6–307
10 of this title;

11 (ii) holds an active master electrician or journeyman electrician
12 license issued by the Board; and

13 (iii) in place of any bond requirement of a local jurisdiction, meets the
14 insurance requirements of § 6–603 of this subtitle.

15 (c) Within 10 working days after payment of any local license fee, a local
16 jurisdiction shall issue a local license to each applicant who meets the requirements of this
17 section.]

18 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 6–603 through
19 6–609 and the subtitle “Subtitle 6. Miscellaneous Provisions”; and 6–701 and 6–702 and
20 the subtitle “Subtitle 7. Short Title; Termination of Title”, respectively, of Article – Business
21 Occupations and Professions of the Annotated Code of Maryland be renumbered to be
22 Section(s) 6–401 through 6–407 and the subtitle “Subtitle 4. Miscellaneous Provisions”; and
23 6–501 and 6–502 and the subtitle “Subtitle 5. Short Title; Termination of Title”,
24 respectively.

25 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read
26 as follows:

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28 6–309.

29 (a) If an applicant qualifies for a license under this subtitle, the Board shall send
30 the applicant a notice that states that:

31 (1) the applicant has qualified for a license; and

32 (2) the Board will issue a license to the applicant on receipt of:

1 (i) a license fee set by the Board; and

2 (ii) proof of general liability and property damage insurance as
3 required under [§ 6-603] § 6-401 of this title.

4 6-311.

5 (a) The Board shall place the license of a master electrician or journeyperson
6 electrician on inactive status and issue an inactive status certificate to the licensee, if the
7 licensee:

8 (3) except for the insurance requirements of [§ 6-603] § 6-401 of this title,
9 qualifies for an active license; and

10 (b) The Board shall place an applicant for an initial license on inactive status and
11 issue an inactive status certificate to the applicant, if the applicant:

12 (3) except for the continuing education and insurance requirements of §
13 6-310 of this subtitle and [§ 6-603] § 6-401 of this title, qualifies for an active license.

14 6-316.

15 (a) Subject to the hearing provisions of § 6-317 of this subtitle, the Board may
16 deny a license to any applicant, reprimand any licensee, or suspend or revoke a license if
17 the applicant or licensee:

18 (1) fraudulently or deceptively obtains or attempts to obtain a license for
19 the applicant, licensee, or another person, including by certifying on a license renewal
20 application that an applicant has completed the continuing education requirement for
21 license renewal if the applicant has not fully completed the requirement at the time the
22 applicant submits the application;

23 (2) fraudulently or deceptively uses a license;

24 (3) transfers the authority granted by a license to another person;

25 (4) engages in an unfair or deceptive trade practice, as defined in § 13-301
26 of the Commercial Law Article;

27 (5) willfully or deliberately disregards and violates a building code,
28 electrical code, or law of the State or a local jurisdiction;

29 (6) under the laws of the United States or of any state, is convicted of:

30 (i) a felony; or

31 (ii) a misdemeanor that is directly related to the fitness and

1 qualification of the applicant or licensee to provide electrical services;

2 (7) aids or abets a person to evade a provision of this title;

3 (8) willfully or deliberately disregards disciplinary action taken by a local
4 jurisdiction against the individual in connection with the provision of electrical services;

5 (9) makes a material misrepresentation in the procurement of a contract
6 or project to provide electrical services;

7 (10) fails to train and control adequately a person who, while under the
8 supervision of the licensee, sells or estimates electrical work or provides or assists in
9 providing electrical services;

10 (11) [fails to maintain a local license if required under § 6–601 of this title;

11 (12)] fails to maintain the general liability and property damage insurance
12 required under [§ 6–603] § 6–401 of this title;

13 [(13)] (12) offers or provides electrical services outside the scope of the
14 license held by the licensee;

15 [(14)] (13) permits another licensee to provide services outside the scope of
16 that individual's license;

17 [(15)] (14) abandons or fails to perform, without justification, a contract or
18 project to provide electrical services;

19 [(16)] (15) performs work under a contract or project of electrical services
20 that is inadequate or incomplete;

21 [(17)] (16) directly or indirectly publishes an advertisement relating to the
22 provision of electrical services that contains a representation or a statement that is false,
23 deceptive, or misleading;

24 [(18)] (17) violates any other provision of this title; or

25 [(19)] (18) violates any regulation adopted under this title.

26 6–407.

27 (b) Any person, including an officer, who violates [§§ 6–604 through 6–608] §§
28 **6–402 THROUGH 6–406** of this subtitle is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is
29 subject to:

30 (1) a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or

1 both; and

2 (2) on a second or subsequent conviction, a fine not exceeding \$5,000 or
3 imprisonment not exceeding 2 years or both.

4 (c) Any person who violates any provision of [~~§ 6–603~~] **§ 6–401** of this subtitle is
5 guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000 or
6 imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or both.

7 SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Labor,
8 Licensing, and Regulation shall work with representatives of the limited energy services
9 industry to study the need for and feasibility of establishing a State license for the provision
10 of limited energy services.

11 SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Sections 3, 4, and 5 of this
12 Act shall take effect October 1, 2024.

13 SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section
14 7 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2019.