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BY: Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee

<u>AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 298</u> (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 6, after "Act;" insert "requiring the Board to submit a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on the Board's practices and processes for the timely resolution of complaints and the approval of licenses;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, after line 11, insert:

"SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) On or before October 1, 2024, the State Board of Electricians shall submit to the Senate Education, Energy, and the Environment Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee, in accordance with § 2–1257 of the State Government Article, a report on the Board's practices and processes for the timely resolution of complaints filed against State licensees.

(b) The report required under this section shall include:

- (1) for each of the years 2018 through 2023:
 - (i) the number and types of complaints filed against State

licensees;

(ii) the dates on which each complaint was received and resolved

by the Board;

(iii) the number of investigators employed by the Board;

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(iv) <u>a determination by the Board as to whether there was a</u> <u>complaint backlog; and</u>

(v) the average length of time to approve a license; and

(2) <u>a detailed explanation of the plan and strategies adopted by the</u> <u>Board to systematically address the complaint backlog and prevent future backlogs.</u>

<u>SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall</u> <u>take effect October 1, 2024.</u>";

in line 12, strike "2." and substitute "<u>4.</u>"; in the same line, after "That" insert "<u>, except</u> <u>as provided in Section 3 of this Act</u>,"; and in line 13, strike "October" and substitute "<u>July</u>".