

Senate Bill 182

Date: January 20, 2022

Committee: Senate Education, Health and Environmental Affairs Committee

Bill Title: State Board of Electricians-Sunset Extension

Re: Letter of Support

The Maryland State Board of Electricians was established by State statute to establish a licensing program for individuals who provide or assist in providing electrical services, to safeguard the life, health, property, and public welfare of the citizens of Maryland.

The Maryland State Board of Electricians licenses and maintains regulatory oversight of over 5,900 individual licensees and ensures professional competency of its licensees through fair and consistent enforcement of the State statute and regulations. The administrative team investigates and resolves complaints received by citizens of Maryland who believe they have been wronged by a licensee of the board.

The board continuously works to promote collaboration in the industry with local jurisdictions, trade organizations and state and local elected officials to ensure a fair and reasonable path to licensure for potential candidates.

The licensing and regulatory enforcement of the statute and regulations set forth by the board ensure that the citizens of Maryland are protected and that electrical services provided by licensed individuals meet the highest standards of education, training and competency.

For these reasons, the Department respectfully requests a favorable report from the Committee on Senate Bill 182.