



Maryland House of Delegates - Economics Matters Committee

Chair: C.T. Wilson

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House Bill 0414 - Washington County - Electricians - Registration and Licensing

Position: Oppose

The Baltimore DC Metro Building Trades Council opposes HB 0414. The language in the bill where it differentiates from licensed to registered and refers to restricted electricians is unclear. There is no definition of what is restricted. To implement registered in lieu of licensed is a watering down of the requirement of having a Board certified master electrician license. The Maryland Electricians Act – Revisions Chapter 708, which became the law of Maryland on May 30, 2021, and went into effect on July 1, 2021 made significant changes to the current licensure schematic for electricians on both the State and local level. Chapter 708 provides the definition and licensure requirements for “licensed apprentice electrician” and “licensed journeyman electrician” and authorizes the State to issue licenses for both license classifications as well as the master electricians licenses. It requires an individual to hold a State apprentice, journeyman or master electrician license to offer, provide or assist in providing electrical services. No where does it define or refer to a restricted electrician. It is for these reasons we urge the Committee for a unfavorable report on House Bill 0414. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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