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## February 23, 2023

To: Members of the Senate Finance Committee

From: Independent Electrical Contractors (IEC) Chesapeake

Re: Support Senate Bill 413 (with Amendments) – Apprenticeship 2030 Commission

Independent Electrical Contractors (IEC) Chesapeake supports Senate Bill (SB) 413 and requests a favorable report with amendments.

IEC Chesapeake's membership represents more than 15,000 electrical workers and nearly 1,000 electrician apprentices in Maryland. IEC Chesapeake wants to commend the sponsor for his efforts in promoting the necessity of increasing apprentices, especially in the skilled trades.

IEC Chesapeake supports Senate Bill 413 **with an amendment** to add to the Apprenticeship 2030 Commission 2 additional members from group non joint representation entities (See Page 2).

#### **Proposed Amendment to SB 413**

Page 2, after Line 18, insert:

"(11) Two members representing group non joint representation entities."

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions, please contact Grant Shmelzer, Executive Director of IEC Chesapeake, at 1-301-621-9545, extension 114 or at <a href="mailto:sshmelzer@iec-chesapeake.com">sshmelzer@iec-chesapeake.com</a> or Kevin O'Keeffe at 410-382-7844 or at <a href="mailto:kevin@kokeeffelaw.com">kevin@kokeeffelaw.com</a>.

#### **About Us**

Independent Electrical Contractors (IEC) Chesapeake represents members throughout Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C. Our headquarters are located in Laurel, Maryland. IEC Chesapeake has an extensive apprenticeship program for training electricians. In addition, IEC Chesapeake promotes green economic growth by providing education and working with contractor members, industry partners, government policy makers and inspectors to increase the use of renewable energy.





## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SB 413

BY: Independent Electrical Contractors Chesapeake (To be offered in the Senate Finance Committee)

# AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 413 (First Reading File Bill)

## AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, after line 1, insert "(11) Two members representing group non joint representation entities."

