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SENATE BILL 17-247

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CONCERNING THE QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTRICIANS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
THEREWITH, ALLOWING ONLY PERSONS WHO HAVE PASSED THE  
WRITTEN RESIDENTIAL WIREMAN'S EXAMINATION TO ACT AS  
RESIDENTIAL INSPECTORS AND WAIVING THE CONTINUING  
EDUCATION REQUIREMENT DURING THE FIRST LICENSE PERIOD FOR  
AN ELECTRICIAN WHO PASSED THE APPROPRIATE WRITTEN  
EXAMINATION.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

**SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-23-106, **amend**  
(4)(d)(II) as follows:

**12-23-106. License requirements - rules - repeal.**  
(4) (d) (II) (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION  
(4)(d)(II)(B) OF THIS SECTION, on or after January 1, 2018, the department  
shall not renew or reinstate a license unless the applicant has completed  
twenty-four hours of continuing education since the date of issuance of the

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*Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.*

applicant's initial license or, if the applicant's license was renewed or reinstated, the most recent renewal or reinstatement.

(B) SUBSECTION (4)(d)(II)(A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO THE FIRST RENEWAL OR REINSTATEMENT OF A LICENSE FOR WHICH, AS A CONDITION OF ISSUANCE, THE APPLICANT SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A LICENSING EXAMINATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (4)(a) OF THIS SECTION.

**SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-23-115, **amend** (1)(a)(I) as follows:

**12-23-115. Inspectors - qualifications.** (1) (a) (I) The director of the division of professions and occupations is hereby authorized to appoint or employ, with the power of removal, competent persons licensed under this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 23 as journeymen or master electricians as state electrical inspectors. The division director is also authorized to appoint or employ, with the power of removal, for the purpose of inspecting one-, two-, three-, or four-family dwellings, competent persons with the following qualifications:

(A) Persons who have passed the written residential wireman's examination described in section 12-23-106; or

(B) Persons EMPLOYED BY ANY CITY, TOWN, COUNTY, OR CITY AND COUNTY ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2019, who have been certified as residential electrical inspectors by a national certification authority approved by the board and who have furnished satisfactory evidence of at least two years' practical experience in the electrical inspection of residential dwellings. THIS SUBSECTION (1)(a)(I)(B) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023.

**SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date - applicability.** (1) This act takes effect January 1, 2019; except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on January 1, 2019, or on the date of the official declaration of

the vote thereon by the governor, whichever is later.

(2) This act applies to licenses renewed or reinstated on or after the applicable effective date of this act.

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