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SENATE BILL 17-247

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

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

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

HOUSE
3rd Reading Unamended
April 19, 2017

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
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SENATE
3rd Reading Unamended
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SENATE
Amended 2nd Reading
April 3, 2017

Section 1 of the bill waives the continuing education requirement, otherwise applicable upon every renewal or reinstatement of an electrician's license, for the first renewal or reinstatement of the license of an electrician who passed the appropriate written examination in connection with his or her initial license application.

Section 2 repeals an existing provision allowing the hiring of inspectors of 1- to 4-family dwellings who have specified certifications and experience but may not have passed Colorado's written residential wireman's examination.

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

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

4 **12-23-106. License requirements - rules - repeal.**

5 (4) (d) (II) (A) EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION
6 (4)(d)(II)(B) OF THIS SECTION, on or after January 1, 2018, the department
7 shall not renew or reinstate a license unless the applicant has completed
8 twenty-four hours of continuing education since the date of issuance of
9 the applicant's initial license or, if the applicant's license was renewed or
10 reinstated, the most recent renewal or reinstatement.

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

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

18 **12-23-115. Inspectors - qualifications.** (1) (a) (I) The director
19 of the division of professions and occupations is hereby authorized to
20 appoint or employ, with the power of removal, competent persons

1 licensed under this ~~article~~ ARTICLE 23 as journeymen or master
2 electricians as state electrical inspectors. The division director is also
3 authorized to appoint or employ, with the power of removal, for the
4 purpose of inspecting one-, two-, three-, or four-family dwellings,
5 competent persons with the following qualifications:

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

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

15 **SECTION 3. Act subject to petition - effective date -**
16 **applicability.** (1) This act takes effect January 1, 2019; except that, if a
17 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
18 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
19 within the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general
20 assembly, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect unless
21 approved by the people at the general election to be held in November
22 2018 and, in such case, will take effect on January 1, 2019, or on the date
23 of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor, whichever
24 is later.

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