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FISCAL NOTE**

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FISCAL IMPACT: State Local Statutory Public Entity Conditional No Fiscal Impact

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Prime Sponsor(s): Sen. Priola
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BILL TOPIC: ELECTRICIANS INSPECTORS LICENSING QUALIFICATIONS

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2017-2018	FY 2018-2019
State Revenue* Cash Funds		Potential minimal reduction. See State Revenue section.
State Expenditures		Minimal workload impact. See State Expenditures section.
Appropriation Required: None.		
Future Year Impacts: Ongoing potential minimal revenue reduction and workload reduction.		

* State revenue to higher education institutions is TABOR-exempt.

Summary of Legislation

The *reengrossed* bill waives the continuing education requirement upon first license renewal or reinstatement for electricians who successfully completed a licensing examination in connection with his or her initial licensure.

In addition, the bill repeals a provision allowing electricians who have certain certifications and experience but have not passed a written residential wireman's examination to conduct state inspections of family dwellings and, as a result, allows only electricians who have passed the written residential wireman's examination to act as state inspectors of family dwellings. An exception to this repeal is made for inspectors employed by a local government on or before January 1, 2019, who may continue to perform inspections without having passed the written examination until January 1, 2023, at which time all locally employed inspectors must meet the same criteria as state inspectors.

State Revenue

Beginning in FY 2018-19, state institutions of higher education may experience a minimal revenue reduction from the bill's one-year break from continuing education requirements for electricians. Electricians are required to complete 24 hours of continuing education per year. This reduction is expected to be minimal and does not require an adjustment in appropriations for any agency in the Department of Higher Education. Institutions of higher education are TABOR-exempt.

State Expenditures

In FY 2018-19 only, the State Electrical Board will have a minimal workload increase to update its rules, continuing education information, and conduct outreach about the bill's changes. Beginning in FY 2018-19, the board may experience a minimal workload decrease from not having to review continuing education requirements for a subset of licensees. These impacts will not require any adjustment to the appropriations for the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Local Government Impact

For local governments that conduct electrical inspections independent of the state, the bill affords those jurisdictions time to have inspectors meet new qualifications. As a result, the impact to local governments is expected to be minimal.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect January 1, 2019, if no referendum petition is filed. It applies to licenses renewed or reinstated on or after this date.

State and Local Government Contacts

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