

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2063

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5 By: Representative Flanagan

## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 17-28-301 PERTAINING TO  
10 CONTINUING ELECTRICAL EDUCATION FOR LICENSURE; AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES."

## Subtitle

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15 PERTAINING TO CONTINUING ELECTRICAL  
16 EDUCATION FOR LICENSURE; AND FOR OTHER  
17 PURPOSES."

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 17-28-301 is amended to read as follows:

22 "17-28-301. Electrician's license - Issuance and renewal - Fees.

23 (a) Individuals passing the master, journeyman, or industrial  
24 maintenance electrician's examination as specified in § 17-28-203 shall be  
25 issued a license of the same class as that of the examination upon payment of  
26 the following fees:

- 27 (1) Master electrician.....\$50.00;
- 28 (2) Journeyman electrician .....\$25.00;
- 29 (3) Industrial maintenance electrician .....\$25.00.

30 (b)(1) Licenses shall expire on the date indicated on the licenses.  
31 Licenses shall expire on the last day of the month, one (1) year following the  
32 date of the original license, when issued to individuals:

33 (A) Successfully passing the master, journeyman, or  
34 industrial maintenance electrician's examination; or

35 (B) Through provisions of this chapter, after the date of  
36 adoption of this provision.

1 (2) All licenses originally issued prior to the adoption of this  
2 provision shall continue to expire on June 30 of the year indicated on the  
3 license, except as may be changed by the board.

4 (3) The license may be renewed for a period of one (1), two (2),  
5 or three (3) years with the fee to be as follows:

- 6 (A) Master electrician .....\$50.00 per year;
- 7 (B) Journeyman electrician .....\$25.00 per year;
- 8 (C) Industrial maintenance electrician .....\$25.00 per year.

9 (4) Those holding master, journeyman, or industrial maintenance  
10 electrician's licenses may renew their licenses within six (6) months  
11 following the expiration date on the licenses by:

12 (A) ~~paying~~ Paying the renewal fee as indicated in subdivision  
13 (b)(3) of this section- ; and

14 (B) Completing six (6) clock hours of continuing electrical  
15 education annually. The person applying for renewal of licensure shall submit  
16 evidence of six (6) clock hours of continuing electrical education per year to  
17 the board at the time the renewal fee is paid.

18 (i) The board shall work with post-secondary  
19 institutions and their boards to establish a curriculum of continuing  
20 electrical courses.

21 (ii) The board shall suspend the continuing electrical  
22 education requirement for renewal of licensure upon a determination by the  
23 board that the opportunity to fulfill the continuing electrical education  
24 requirement does not exist. The suspension shall remain in effect until the  
25 board determines that persons applying for renewal of licensure have the  
26 opportunity to fulfill the requirements from the curriculum for continuing  
27 electrical education courses.

28 (5) If a licensee shall fail to renew his or her license within  
29 six (6) months after the expiration date on the license, the licensee may  
30 renew his or her license by paying a penalty of ten dollars (\$10.00) for a  
31 journeyman electrician, ten dollars (\$10.00) for an industrial maintenance  
32 electrician, and twenty dollars (\$20.00) for a master electrician, in addition  
33 to the regular renewal fees.

34 (6) If the license is not renewed within one (1) year after the  
35 expiration date on the license, the licensee shall be required to take another  
36 examination as administered by the board."

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SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.