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A Bill

SENATE BILL 754

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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRAINING AND
10 LICENSURE OF ELECTRICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE TRAINING
15 AND LICENSURE OF ELECTRICIANS.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 28, Subchapter 3, is
21 amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

22 17-28-312. Supervision of apprentice electricians.

23 (a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that an apprentice
24 electrician should be trained in a manner that:

25 (1) Develops the skills of the apprentice electrician;

26 (2) Ensures the safety of electricians and the public; and

27 (3) Guarantees that the work of the apprentice electrician

28 complies with legal requirements and meets industry standards.

29 (b)(1) An apprentice electrician shall not engage in electrical work
30 unless he or she is supervised by a master electrician or a journeyman
31 electrician.

32 (2) The work done and the tools and methods utilized by the
33 master electrician, journeyman electrician, and apprentice electrician in the
34 course of supervision shall comply with legal requirements and meet industry
35 standards.

36 (3)(A) The master electrician or journeyman electrician shall



1 observe the work of an apprentice electrician in person at regular and
2 reasonable intervals.

3 (B) The State Board of Career Education shall promulgate
4 rules which determine the regular and reasonable intervals under subdivision
5 (b)(3)(A) of this section in consideration of the:

6 (i) Nature of the work; and

7 (ii) Skill and experience of the apprentice
8 electrician.

9 (4)(A) The supervising master electrician or journeyman
10 electrician shall remain within reasonable proximity of the apprentice
11 electrician while work is being performed.

12 (B) The proximity of the supervising electrician to the
13 apprentice electrician is reasonable if:

14 (i) The job site is a single-family residence or a
15 project that does not require a contractor's license, and the supervising
16 electrician is:

17 (a) Within the line of sight of the apprentice
18 electrician;

19 (b) At the same street address at which the
20 apprentice electrician is working;

21 (c) At a street address adjacent to or
22 adjoining the street address at which the apprentice electrician is working;
23 or

24 (d) Within the same geographical subdivision
25 in which the apprentice is located; or

26 (ii) The job site is not a single-family residence,
27 requires a contractor's license and:

28 (a) The supervising electrician is within the
29 line of sight of the apprentice electrician; or

30 (b) The supervising electrician is within two
31 hundred fifty (250 yd.) of the apprentice electrician, and the supervising
32 electrician and the apprentice electrician are within the property boundaries
33 of the job site.

34 (c) One (1) master electrician or journeyman electrician may supervise
35 up to three (3) apprentice electricians on a single electrical job.

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