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A Bill

SENATE BILL 754

5 By: Senator Hester
6 By: Representative Dotson
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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 Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of
4 Arkansas shall promulgate rules which determine the regular and reasonable
5 intervals under subdivision (b)(3)(A) of this section in consideration of
6 the:

7 (i) Nature of the work; and

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

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

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

15 (i) The supervising electrician is:

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

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

20 (ii) The job site is not a single-family residence,
21 requires a contractor's license, and the supervising electrician is within
22 the line of sight of the apprentice electrician.

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

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26 /s/Hester
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