State of Arkansas

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A Bill

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HOUSE BILL 1360

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW RESIDENTIAL ELECTRICIANS TO PERFORM WORK ON THREE AND FOUR FAMILY HOMES; TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEFINITIONS OF ELECTRICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO ALLOW RESIDENTIAL ELECTRICIANS TO PERFORM WORK ON THREE AND FOUR FAMILY HOMES; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DEFINITIONS OF ELECTRICIANS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-28-101(9) and (10), concerning the definitions of "residential journeyman electrician" and "residential master electrician", are amended to read as follows:

(9) “Residential journeyman electrician” means the classification by which the licenses and electrical work of journeyman electricians may be limited to the installation, alteration, repair, maintenance, or renovation of electrical facilities for one- and two-family dwellings:

(A) Single family dwellings;
(B) Duplexes or two-family dwellings;
(C) Triplexes or three-family dwellings; and
(D) Quadraplexes or four-family dwellings;

(10) “Residential master electrician” means the classification by
which the licenses and electrical work of master electricians may be limited
to planning and supervising the installation, maintenance, and extension of
electrical facilities for one- and two-family dwellings:
   (A) Single family dwellings;
   (B) Duplexes or two-family dwellings;
   (C) Triplexes or three-family dwellings; and
   (D) Quadraplexes or four-family dwellings; and

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-28-101 is amended to add an additional
subdivision to read as follows:
   (12)(A) “Dwelling” means a building or other structure designed
   and constructed for residential purposes.
   (B) “Dwelling” includes a building or other structure that
   houses a home office or other business activity if the business activity does
   not require commercial-grade electric conductors or equipment.
   (C) “Dwelling” does not include a mixed-use building or
   other structure that requires commercial-grade electric conductors or
   equipment for any part of the building or other structure.

/s/McGrew