

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1160

By: Representative A. Mayberry

By: Senator Collins-Smith

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "SPECIALIST SIGN ELECTRICIAN"; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF A "SPECIALIST SIGN ELECTRICIAN".

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

SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings.

The General Assembly finds that a change to the law concerning the licensing of specialist sign electricians is needed in order to expand the scope of services that specialist sign electricians may provide by adding an optional endorsement to an existing license without expanding government by creating an entirely new license.

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-28-101(11), concerning the definition of "specialist sign electrician", is amended to read as follows:

(11) "Specialist sign electrician" means an individual who is limited to a license classification possessing the necessary qualifications, training, and technical knowledge for:

(A) *Installing, maintaining, and repairing electrically illuminated or electrically operated signs and gaseous tubing for illumination; ~~and~~*

(B) *Making all connections to an approved outlet of sufficient capacity within twenty-five feet (25') of the sign to be*



~~connected~~; and

(C)(i)(a) Maintaining and repairing parking lot lights, upon successfully passing a separate examination approved by the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas.

(b) A specialist sign electrician may obtain a parking lot light endorsement upon passing a separate examination approved by the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas.

(ii) However, maintenance and repair under subdivision (11)(C)(i) of this section shall be limited to work from the ground up to a lighting fixture that is being maintained or repaired and shall not include work underground or work to an electrical panel inside or outside of a building.

SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-28-301, concerning the issuance and renewal of an electrician's license, is amended to add an additional subsection read as follows:

(f) A specialist sign electrician under § 17-28-101 shall qualify for an endorsement on his or her license authorizing the licensee to maintain and repair parking lot lights upon successfully passing a separate examination as approved by the Board of Electrical Examiners of the State of Arkansas.

/s/A. Mayberry