

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

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A Bill

SENATE BILL 445

By: Senator K. Hammer
By: Representative Hawk

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE LICENSURE OF
ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING THE
LICENSURE OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTORS.

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

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-55-101(b), concerning applications for licensure as an electrical inspector, is amended to read as follows:

(b)(1) A person shall apply for licensure as an electrical inspector on a form approved by the board within thirty (30) days of employment as an electrical inspector.

(2) A person shall be eligible to apply for licensure as an electrical inspector if he or she is a:

(A) Master electrician;

(B) Journeyman electrician;

(C) International Code Council Electrical Inspector with six (6) months of employment experience as a municipal building code enforcement official;

(D) Arkansas Fire Training Academy International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Inspector 1 with two (2) years of employment experience at a fire marshal's office or fire inspector's office;

(E) Arkansas Fire Training Academy International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Inspector 2 with one (1) year of employment experience at a fire marshal's office or fire inspector's office;



(F) Arkansas Fire Training Academy International Fire Service Accreditation Congress Inspector 3 with six (6) months of employment experience at a fire marshal's office or fire inspector's office; or

(G) Certified Electrical Inspector with a Certified Electrical Inspector certification from the National Fire Protection Association.

~~(2)(3)~~ Applications shall be made to the board and shall contain:

~~(A) Proof of employment with the state or a political subdivision of the state as an electrical inspector in the State of Arkansas;~~

~~(B)(i) Verification of work experience as required by rule of the board.~~

~~(ii) Work experience shall include without limitation demonstrated knowledge of:~~

~~(a) The standard materials and methods used in the installation of electric equipment;~~

~~(b) Approved methods of construction to ensure the safety of persons and property; and~~

~~(c) The requirements of the statewide standards for the construction, installation, and maintenance of electrical facilities and the performance of electrical work under § 20-31-104; and~~

(A) Proof of:

(i) Licensure as an electrician required under subdivisions (b)(2)(A) and (B) of this section; or

(ii) Certification and experience required under subdivisions (b)(2)(C)-(F) of this section; and

~~(G)(B) Payment of a license fee as established by rule of the board that shall not exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00).~~

SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-55-101, concerning applications for licensure as an electrical inspector, is amended to add a new subsection to read as follows:

(f) A person who holds an electrical inspector license pursuant to the qualifications under subdivision (b)(2) of this section and who is hired as an electrical inspector shall attend the Department of Labor and Licensing two-day training for electrical inspectors.

/s/K. Hammer