

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 408

BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO THE IDAHO ELECTRICAL BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 54-1006, IDAHO
2 CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO PRESIDING OFFICIALS OF THE
3 BOARD.
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5 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

6 SECTION 1. That Section 54-1006, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 54-1006. IDAHO ELECTRICAL BOARD. (1) The Idaho electrical board,
9 hereinafter known as the board, is hereby created and made a part of the
10 division of building safety. It shall be the responsibility and duty of the
11 administrator of the division of building safety to administer and enforce
12 the provisions of this act, and to serve as secretary to the Idaho electrical
13 board.

14 (2) The board shall consist of nine (9) members to be appointed by the
15 governor with power of removal for cause. Two (2) members shall be licensed
16 journeymen or master electricians; two (2) members shall be employees or
17 officers of licensed electrical contractors; one (1) member shall be a
18 licensed specialty journeyman or contractor; one (1) member shall be an em-
19 ployee or officer of an electrical power provider; one (1) member shall be
20 an employee or officer of a manufacturing plant or other large power user;
21 one (1) member shall be an employee or director of a manufacturer or distrib-
22 utor of electrical supplies or materials; and one (1) member shall be from
23 the public at large not directly associated with the electrical industry.
24 Board members shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years. Members of
25 the board shall hold office until expiration of the term to which the member
26 was appointed and until his successor has been duly appointed and qualified.
27 Whenever a vacancy occurs, the governor shall appoint a qualified person to
28 fill the vacancy for the unexpired portion of the term.

29 (3) All members of the board shall be citizens of the United States,
30 residents of this state for not less than two (2) years and shall be qual-
31 ified by experience, knowledge and integrity in formulating rules for ex-
32 aminations, in passing on the fitness and qualifications of applicants for
33 electrical contractor and journeyman electrician licenses and in establish-
34 ing standards for electrical products to be used in electrical installations
35 coming under the provisions of this act.

36 (4) The members of the board shall, at their first regular meeting fol-
37 lowing the effective date of this act and every two (2) years thereafter,
38 elect by majority vote of the members of the board, a chairman who shall pre-
39 side at meetings of the board. ~~In and a vice chairman who shall preside at any~~
40 board meeting in the event the chairman is not present at any board meeting,
41 ~~the board may by majority vote of the members present appoint a temporary~~
42 chairman. A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum.

1 (5) The board is authorized and directed to prescribe and amend rules
2 consistent with this act for the administration of this chapter and to
3 effectuate the purpose thereof, and for the examination and licensing of
4 electrical contractors, journeyman electricians, master electricians,
5 specialty electricians, specialty electrical contractors, specialty elec-
6 trical trainees and apprentice electricians. The board shall also establish
7 the classifications for specialty electrician and specialty electrical
8 contractor licensing and the fees to be charged for permits and inspections
9 of electrical systems. The board shall establish by administrative rule the
10 fines to be paid for citations issued and shall hear appeals regarding the
11 imposition of civil penalties for violations of this chapter and the rules
12 of the Idaho electrical board. The board is authorized to affirm, reject,
13 decrease or increase the penalty imposed by the administrator. However,
14 in no case shall the penalty exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for each
15 offense.

16 (6) Each member of the board not otherwise compensated by public moneys
17 shall be compensated as provided by section 59-509(n), Idaho Code.