

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0015

Electrical safety and fire prevention-revisions.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political
Subdivisions Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to electrical safety and fire prevention;
2 providing authority for the chief electrical inspector to
3 investigate electrocutions; clarifying duties of the
4 department of electrical safety and fire prevention, the
5 council on fire prevention and electrical safety in
6 buildings and the electrical board; transferring rulemaking
7 authority to the department of electrical safety and fire
8 prevention; providing definitions; providing for amendment
9 of plan reviews; providing for phased applications for plan
10 reviews; amending projects requiring plan reviews;
11 providing for suspension or restriction of licenses for
12 failure to pay child support; providing for supremacy of
13 the National Electrical Code; amending certain fees;
14 specifying qualifications for local inspectors; providing
15 for reversion of enforcement authority; deleting appeals
16 process from local inspection authorities to the

1 department; providing for reciprocal licenses; amending
2 license fee revenue allocations; and providing for an
3 effective date.

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5 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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7 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-9-131 is created to read:

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9 **35-9-131. Investigation of electrocutions; powers of**
10 **chief electrical inspector.**

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12 (a) Except in cases where a federal agency has and
13 asserts the right to control an investigation under
14 applicable federal law, the chief electrical inspector, or
15 his designee, may investigate the cause, origin and
16 circumstances of each incident of electrocution or serious
17 injury from electrical contact occurring in the state. In
18 cases where more than one (1) agency has investigative
19 authority over the incident, all agencies shall work
20 together to fully investigate.

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22 (b) In performing the duties imposed by this section,
23 the chief electrical inspector, or his designee, may:

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1 (i) Enter and examine any property, building or
2 premises where any incident occurred;

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4 (ii) Enter any property, building or premises
5 adjacent to that in which an incident occurred;

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7 (iii) Take full control and custody of the
8 buildings and premises until his examinations and
9 investigations are completed; and

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11 (iv) Take testimony under oath and cause the
12 testimony to be reduced to writing. In taking testimony
13 and performing an investigation, the chief electrical
14 inspector or his designee may:

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16 (A) Subpoena witnesses and compel their
17 attendance before him;

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19 (B) Cause to be produced papers he requires
20 in the examination; and

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22 (C) Administer oaths and affirmations to
23 persons appearing as witnesses before him.

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1 (c) When the examination discloses that an incident
2 involved criminal activity, the chief electrical inspector
3 shall transmit a copy of the testimony to the district
4 attorney for the county where the incident occurred.

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6 (d) As used in this section, "incident" means an
7 event in which a person is seriously injured or killed as a
8 result of transient electrical current from an electrical
9 device or installation.

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11 **Section 2.** W.S. 35-9-102(a)(i) and (ii), 35-9-103(c),
12 35-9-106(a)(i)(intro), (iv) and (b), 35-9-107(a)(ii) and
13 (b)(iii), 35-9-108(b), (d), (n), (q)(ii), (iii), by
14 creating a new subsection (s) and by amending and
15 renumbering (s) as (t), 35-9-119 by creating new
16 subsections (b) and (c), 35-9-120(a), (c)(intro), (ii), (e)
17 and (f), 35-9-121(a) and (c) through (e),
18 35-9-121.1(d)(ii), 35-9-123(a)(vi), 35-9-124(a)(i), (ii),
19 (c), (d) and by creating a new subsection (g), 35-9-125(a)
20 through (c), 35-9-126(a) through (d), 35-9-127 and
21 35-9-129(a)(intro) and (b) are amended to read:

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23 **35-9-102. Definitions.**

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1 (a) As used in W.S. 35-9-101 through 35-9-130:

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3 (i) "Apprentice electrician" means a person who
4 has insufficient qualifications to be a journeyman
5 electrician and is hired by a licensed electrical
6 contractor to assist a licensed journeyman or master
7 electrician. ~~From and after March 1, 1994,~~ An apprentice
8 electrician must be registered with the department of fire
9 prevention and electrical safety and must be enrolled in a
10 bona fide program of training approved by the bureau of
11 apprenticeship and training, United States department of
12 labor, or present evidence directly to the ~~board~~-department
13 that he is enrolled in an apprentice training program which
14 provides training equivalent to a program approved by the
15 bureau of apprenticeship and training, United States
16 department of labor;

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18 (ii) "Apprentice technician" means a person who
19 has insufficient qualifications to be a low voltage or a
20 limited technician and is hired by a licensed electrical
21 contractor, low voltage contractor, or limited contractor
22 to assist a licensed low voltage or limited technician. An
23 apprentice technician must be registered with the
24 department of fire prevention and electrical safety and

1 must be enrolled in a training program as approved by the
2 ~~board~~department;

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4 **35-9-103. Divisions created; council and board**
5 **created.**

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7 (c) The board consists of five (5) members appointed
8 by the governor for six (6) year terms. At least one (1)
9 member and no more than two (2) members shall be journeymen
10 electricians, at least one (1) and no more than two (2)
11 shall be master electricians, and at least one (1) and no
12 more than two (2) shall be electrical contractors. No two
13 (2) members shall be employed by the same entity and serve
14 on the board. Any member who becomes employed by the same
15 entity as another member during his term of office shall be
16 ineligible to continue as a member of the board. Vacancies
17 shall be filled for the unexpired term. When new
18 appointments are made, the board shall select a chairman, a
19 vice chairman and a secretary. A quorum consists of three
20 (3) members. The board shall meet at least twice each
21 year.

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23 **35-9-106. Powers and duties of council.**

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1 (a) The council shall adopt rules and regulations to:

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3 (i) Establish minimum fire standards not
4 exceeding the standards prescribed by the International
5 Fire Code, the International Building Code, the
6 International Mechanical Code, the International Existing
7 Building Code and the International Fuel Gas Code for:

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9 (iv) Implement this ~~article~~ section.

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11 (b) The council shall ~~investigate the conduct of the~~
12 ~~divisions, shall~~ have access to records of the divisions
13 and may require written or oral information from any
14 officer or employee of the department when conducting
15 investigations pursuant to W.S. 35-9-108(p) and 35-9-117.

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17 **35-9-107. Duties and powers of state fire marshal.**

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19 (a) The state fire marshal shall:

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21 (ii) ~~Enforce~~ Adopt regulations ~~promulgated by~~
22 ~~the~~ in consultation with the board and council to implement
23 this article, excluding the provisions of W.S. 35-9-106 and
24 35-9-124;

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2 (b) The state fire marshal may:

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4 (iii) Deputize a member of a fire department who
5 is approved by the chief of his department, or a local
6 building inspector approved by the local governmental
7 entity, provided that the person is qualified to inspect,
8 investigate and carry out orders for the state fire marshal
9 under the rules adopted by the ~~council~~department;

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11 **35-9-108. Plan review; procedure; fees.**

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13 (b) If the state fire marshal does not notify the
14 sender in writing of violations of the fire or electrical
15 safety standards within twenty-one (21) working days of
16 receiving the plans, they are approved as submitted. If
17 code deficiencies are discovered through inspection by the
18 fire marshal during the construction or remodeling of
19 buildings, the plan and plan review shall be amended to
20 bring the building into compliance with applicable codes.

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22 (d) The department shall collect fees for plan
23 reviews and other inspections except as provided in
24 subsections (q) and (r) of this section, in the amount

1 provided in the 1997 Uniform Building Code and adjusted for
2 inflation as adopted by rule or regulation by the ~~council~~
3 department. Fees collected under this subsection shall be
4 deposited into the general fund.

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6 (n) After new construction or remodeling of buildings
7 is completed, the state fire marshal shall inspect the
8 building and determine conformance with the plan review or
9 amended plan review. If he finds conformance, the state
10 fire marshal shall issue a certificate of occupancy for a
11 newly constructed building and a letter of compliance for a
12 remodeled building. No newly constructed or remodeled
13 building shall be used or occupied until the state fire
14 marshal has issued a certificate of occupancy or letter of
15 compliance. If a newly constructed or remodeled building
16 is used or occupied prior to the issuance of a certificate
17 of occupancy or letter of compliance, the state fire
18 marshal shall order the use and occupancy of the building
19 to cease until a certificate of occupancy or letter of
20 compliance is issued, subject to the requirements of
21 subsection (m) of this section.

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23 (q) A plan review is:

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1 (ii) Required for remodeling that costs less
2 than ~~twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00)~~ forty
3 thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) and affects a built-in fire
4 protection system for the building, provided a fee of no
5 more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) per hour shall be paid to
6 the department for the review;

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8 (iii) Required for remodeling that costs ~~twenty~~
9 ~~five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00)~~ forty thousand dollars
10 (\$40,000.00) or more, provided the department shall collect
11 a fee pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

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13 (s) Plan reviews may be submitted in phases so that
14 work may begin on the first phase of a project upon
15 approval of the plans for that phase. Subsequent work may
16 begin on each successive phase as plans are approved for
17 each successive phase. Plans for fire alarm systems and
18 fire sprinkler systems shall be submitted as successive
19 phase plans after the initial plans are approved.

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21 ~~(s)~~(t) Subsections (a) through ~~(r)~~ (s) shall not
22 apply to remodeling that is exempt under subsection (q).

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24 **35-9-119. Duties of chief electrical inspector.**

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2 (b) The chief electrical inspector may investigate
3 electrocution incidents that occur in the state pursuant to
4 W.S. 35-9-131.

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6 (c) Upon receipt from the department of family
7 services of a certified copy of an order from a court to
8 withhold, suspend or otherwise restrict a license issued by
9 the chief electrical inspector, the chief electrical
10 inspector shall notify the party named in the court order
11 of the withholding, suspension or restriction of the
12 license in accordance with the terms of the court order.
13 No appeal under the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act
14 shall be allowed for a license withheld, suspended or
15 restricted under this subsection.

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17 **35-9-120. Minimum requirements for electrical**
18 **installations; permits; inspections; fees.**

19

20 (a) The installation of electric equipment in or on
21 buildings, mobile homes and premises shall be made subject
22 to the applicable minimum requirements of the National
23 Electrical Code. To the extent that any provision in the
24 International Fire Code, the International Building Code,

1 the International Mechanical Code, the International
 2 Existing Building Code and the International Fuel Gas Code
 3 conflicts with the standards prescribed by the National
 4 Electrical Code, the National Electrical Code shall
 5 control.

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7 (c) For any requested electrical inspection conducted
 8 or electrical wiring permit issued by the chief electrical
 9 inspector or his deputy, a fee established by the ~~board~~
 10 department by rule shall be paid by the person or
 11 contractor making the request. The electrical wiring
 12 permit fee shall be waived for anyone requesting and paying
 13 for an electrical inspection. The fees established by the
 14 ~~board~~department shall not exceed the following:

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16 (ii) ~~Effective July 1, 1993,~~ Electrical wiring
 17 permit fees..... ~~\$30.00~~ \$50.00

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19 (e) No person shall install electrical equipment in
 20 new construction or remodeling, if the remodeling requires
 21 a public utility to connect or disconnect and restore
 22 electrical power, of a building, mobile home or premises
 23 without obtaining an electrical wiring permit. No public
 24 utility shall energize an electrical service for an

1 electrical installation which requires an electrical wiring
2 permit until the person responsible for the electrical
3 installation has obtained an electrical wiring permit. A
4 utility may energize an electrical service in an emergency
5 situation without proof that an electrical wiring permit
6 has been obtained, however the utility shall notify the
7 department ~~of fire prevention and electrical safety~~ of the
8 action as soon as possible, but in no case later than five
9 (5) days following the date that the electrical service was
10 energized. Electrical wiring permits shall be issued by the
11 chief electrical inspector upon request. Each permit shall
12 explain procedures and costs for permits and requested
13 inspections conducted by the chief electrical inspector or
14 his deputy electrical inspectors. This subsection does not
15 apply to municipalities and counties granted local
16 enforcement authority for electrical safety standards under
17 W.S. 35-9-121 and to exempt installations under W.S.
18 35-9-123(a)(ii) through (v).

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20 (f) ~~Fifty percent (50%)~~ Sixty percent (60%) of the
21 fees collected pursuant to subsection (c) of this section
22 shall be deposited in a separate account for the purpose of
23 providing additional state electrical inspectors. ~~Fifty~~
24 ~~percent (50%)~~ Forty percent (40%) of the fees collected

1 pursuant to subsection (c) of this section shall be
2 deposited in the general fund.

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4 **35-9-121. Local enforcement.**

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6 (a) The state fire marshal shall delegate complete
7 authority to municipalities and counties which apply to
8 enforce and interpret local or state fire, building,
9 existing building standards or electrical safety standards
10 which meet the requirements of this section. The state
11 fire marshal shall notify the governing body of the
12 municipality or county of the minimum standards and
13 requirements of this act and W.S. 16-6-501 and 16-6-502 and
14 transfer jurisdiction and authority by letter. Nothing in
15 this section affects the authority of the state fire
16 marshal or chief electrical inspector regarding state owned
17 or leased buildings. Local enforcement authority under
18 this subsection shall be subject to the following
19 requirements and certification of inspectors:

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21 (i) Before a municipality or county without
22 local enforcement authority is initially granted local
23 enforcement authority for fire, building, existing building
24 standards or electrical standards the state fire marshal

1 shall determine that the local governing body has adopted
2 minimum standards by ordinance or resolution that are
3 equivalent to or more stringent than those applicable
4 standards adopted by the ~~council on fire prevention and~~
5 ~~electrical safety department~~;

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7 (ii) If a municipality or county that has been
8 granted local enforcement authority under this subsection
9 fails to adopt, within six (6) months following the
10 adoption of new standards by the ~~council on fire prevention~~
11 ~~and electrical safety department~~, or maintain standards by
12 ordinance or resolution that at least meet the statewide
13 standards, enforcement authority shall immediately revert
14 to the department. ~~of fire prevention and electrical~~
15 ~~safety.~~ It shall be the responsibility of the municipality
16 or county to notify the department ~~of fire prevention and~~
17 ~~electrical safety~~ of the repeal of minimum standards in
18 their jurisdiction;.

19
20 (iii) If code enforcement authority for fire and
21 building codes is requested, certification of a fire
22 inspector or building inspector by the International Code
23 Council or the International Conference of Building
24 Officials is required for any electrical inspector employed

1 or contracted after July 1, 2010 to enforce those codes for
2 the municipality or county;

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4 (iv) If code enforcement authority for the
5 electrical code is requested, certification of an
6 electrical inspector by the International Code Council or
7 the International Association of Electrical Inspectors and
8 licensing by the state as a journeyman or master
9 electrician is required;

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11 (v) If a municipality or county that has been
12 granted local enforcement authority under this subsection
13 fails to maintain employment of an inspector holding any
14 certification required by this subsection, enforcement
15 authority shall revert to the department one hundred twenty
16 (120) days after the last day the properly certified
17 inspector has left the employment of the municipality or
18 county. It shall be the responsibility of the municipality
19 or county to notify the department upon the termination of
20 employment of any certified inspector required by this
21 subsection.

22
23 (c) If a municipality or county has assumed
24 enforcement authority for only one (1) or two (2) of the

1 fire, building and electrical standards, the municipality
2 or county shall deliver notice of any project plans
3 submitted to the municipality or county for approval to the
4 department. ~~of fire prevention and electrical safety.~~ The
5 notice of the project shall be delivered within ten (10)
6 days of receiving plans from the applicant.

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8 (d) A municipality or county which has enforcement
9 authority under this section ~~may~~ shall create its own
10 appeals boards to determine the suitability of alternate
11 materials and types of construction. The boards shall be
12 appointed and removed by the governing body of the
13 municipality or county. ~~The council on fire prevention and
14 electrical safety in buildings and the electrical board
15 shall serve as appeals boards for a municipality or county
16 that has not created an appeals board under this
17 subsection.~~

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19 (e) A decision rendered by the local municipal or
20 county appeals board pursuant to subsection (d) of this
21 section regarding state owned or leased buildings may be
22 appealed to the ~~council on fire prevention and electrical
23 safety in buildings for a final decision~~ appropriate
24 district court.

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2 **35-9-121.1. Health care facilities; jurisdiction;**
3 **delegation; rules.**

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5 (d) Upon written request from any county or
6 municipality, the department of health shall delegate plan
7 review and inspection responsibilities to the county or
8 municipality that has personnel who are certified pursuant
9 to the applicable code. The department of health shall
10 transfer jurisdiction and authority by letter. The
11 department of health shall notify the governing body of the
12 municipality or county of the minimum standards and
13 requirements under this section and W.S. 16-6-501 and
14 16-6-502. The following shall apply:

15

16 (ii) A municipality or county which has
17 enforcement authority under this subsection ~~may~~shall
18 create its own appeals board to determine the suitability
19 of alternate materials and types of construction.~~If a~~
20 ~~municipality or county has not created an appeals board,~~
21 ~~the department of health shall establish an appeals board~~
22 ~~which includes representation from the department of health~~
23 ~~and the council.~~

24

1 **35-9-123. Electrical installations to be performed by**
2 **licensed electricians; exceptions.**

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4 (a) Licensed electrical contractors employing
5 licensed master or journeymen electricians, or registered
6 apprentice electricians supervised by a licensed master or
7 journeyman electrician shall install all electrical
8 equipment. This requirement is waived for:

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10 (vi) Buildings constructed by a school or
11 community college district as part of an industrial arts
12 curriculum, under the direct supervision of a qualified
13 industrial arts instructor. The school or community
14 college district shall have the installations inspected by
15 the state electrical inspector's office or the ~~home-rule~~
16 local enforcement authority, whichever has jurisdiction, to
17 ensure compliance with W.S. 35-9-120;

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19 **35-9-124. Powers and duties of board; appeals.**

20

21 (a) The board shall:

22

1 (i) Adopt rules and regulations to implement
2 ~~W.S. 35-9-122 through 35-9-130;~~ this section and to
3 establish minimum standards for:

4
5 (A) Training requirements for all classes
6 of electricians;

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8 (B) Licensing requirements for all classes
9 of electricians; and

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11 (C) Reciprocal licenses for any journeyman
12 electrician, master electrician, low voltage technician or
13 limited technician license.

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15 (ii) Regarding the installation of electrical
16 equipment and electrical safety standards, hear appeals to
17 determine the suitability of alternate materials and type
18 of construction and to interpret and grant variances from
19 ~~rules and regulations of the council~~ the National
20 Electrical Code.

21
22 (c) The board ~~shall~~ may suspend or cancel the license
23 of any licensee for ~~flagrant~~ a repeated or serious
24 violation of this act or the rules and regulations of the

1 board. A serious violation is any violation that poses a
2 risk of injury or death to persons or is likely to result
3 in property damage exceeding two thousand five hundred
4 dollars (\$2,500.00). A repeated violation is one that
5 occurs within two (2) years of any previously documented
6 violation.

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8 (d) ~~Except as provided by subsection (c) of this~~
9 ~~section, Any person whose application for a license is~~
10 ~~denied, who is otherwise disciplined or whose license is~~ is
11 suspended, cancelled or refused by the board may appeal to
12 the appropriate district court.

13
14 (g) The board may enter into and approve reciprocal
15 license agreements with other states if such agreements
16 conform with the conditions and minimum standards required
17 under W.S. 35-9-126(d).

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19 **35-9-125. Electrical contractor's, low voltage**
20 **electrical contractor's and limited electrical contractor's**
21 **licenses.**

22
23 (a) On or before July 1 of each year, an electrical
24 contractor shall file with the chief electrical inspector a

1 license application in writing for each of his firms. The
2 applicant shall be or actively employ in a full-time
3 capacity a licensed master electrician of record who
4 assumes responsibility to ensure that the National
5 Electrical Code, W.S. 35-9-120 through 35-9-130 and
6 applicable rules of the department ~~of fire prevention and~~
7 ~~electrical safety~~ are adhered to on all electrical work
8 undertaken by the electrical contractor in the state of
9 Wyoming, and who is not the master electrician of record
10 for, or employed by, any other electrical contractor. The
11 electrical contractor shall pay the fee required by W.S.
12 35-9-129 for each firm operated by him. If the applicant
13 qualifies, he shall receive a license which bears the date
14 of issue and expires on July 1 next following the date of
15 issue.

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17 (b) On or before July 1 of each year, a low voltage
18 electrical contractor shall file with the chief electrical
19 inspector a license application in writing for each of his
20 firms. The applicant shall be or actively employ in a
21 full-time capacity a licensed low voltage technician of
22 record who assumes responsibility to ensure that the
23 National Electrical Code, W.S. 35-9-120 through 35-9-130
24 and applicable rules of the department ~~of fire prevention~~

1 ~~and electrical safety~~ are adhered to on all electrical work
2 undertaken by the low voltage electrical contractor in the
3 state of Wyoming, and who is not the low voltage technician
4 of record for, or employed by, any other low voltage
5 electrical contractor. The low voltage electrical
6 contractor shall pay the fee required by W.S. 35-9-129 for
7 each firm operated by him. The low voltage electrical
8 contractor's license fee shall be waived for any low
9 voltage electrical contractor not employing additional low
10 voltage technicians or low voltage apprentice technicians
11 other than himself. If the applicant qualifies, he shall
12 receive a license which bears the date of issue and expires
13 on July 1 next following the date of issue.

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15 (c) On or before July 1 of each year, a limited
16 electrical contractor shall file with the chief electrical
17 inspector a license application in writing for each of his
18 firms. The applicant shall be or actively employ in a
19 full-time capacity a licensed limited technician of record
20 who assumes responsibility to ensure that the National
21 Electrical Code, W.S. 35-9-120 through 35-9-130 and
22 applicable rules of the department ~~of fire prevention and~~
23 ~~electrical safety~~ are adhered to on all electrical work
24 undertaken by the limited electrical contractor in the

1 state of Wyoming, and who is not the limited technician of
2 record for, or employed by, any other limited electrical
3 contractor. The limited electrical contractor shall pay
4 the fee required by W.S. 35-9-129 for each firm operated by
5 him. The limited electrical contractor's license fee shall
6 be waived for any limited electrical contractor not
7 employing additional limited technicians or limited
8 apprentice technicians other than himself. If the
9 applicant qualifies, he shall receive a license which bears
10 the date of issue and expires on July 1 next following the
11 date of issue.

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13 **35-9-126. Licensing of master electricians,**
14 **journeymen electricians, low voltage technicians, limited**
15 **technicians; temporary permits; reciprocal licenses; master**
16 **electrician of record for only 1 electrical contractor;**
17 **technician of record for only 1 low voltage or limited**
18 **electrical contractor.**

19

20 (a) Applicants for master electrician, journeymen
21 electrician, low voltage technician and limited technician
22 licenses shall apply to the chief electrical inspector on a
23 form furnished by the ~~board~~department and accompanied by
24 the required examination fee. The form shall state the

1 applicant's full name, his address, the extent of his
2 experience and other information required by the ~~board~~
3 department. An applicant who complies with the rules of the
4 ~~board~~department, is qualified, successfully completes the
5 examination and pays the required license fee shall be
6 issued the proper license by the chief electrical inspector
7 which bears the date of issue. A master license shall
8 expire on July 1 in the third year following the year of
9 issue. A journeyman license shall expire on January 1 in
10 the third year following the year of issue. A low voltage
11 technician license shall expire on July 1 in the third year
12 following the year of issue. A limited technician license
13 shall expire on July 1 in the third year following the year
14 of issue. Credit for time spent in any electrical school
15 shall be given to master electricians, journeyman
16 electricians, low voltage technicians or limited
17 technicians for time spent in classes up to a total of two
18 (2) years, or four thousand (4,000) hours, on the work
19 experience requirements.

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21 (b) Each master electrician, journeyman electrician,
22 low voltage technician or limited technician licensed under
23 this act may renew his license by paying fifty percent
24 (50%) of the proper license fee to the state of Wyoming.

1 Master and journeymen electricians shall provide proof of
2 attendance at not less than sixteen (16) hours of training
3 in the National Electric Code or in advances in the
4 electrical industry meeting criteria established by the
5 ~~board~~department on or before the date his license expires.
6 At least eight (8) of the required sixteen (16) hours of
7 training shall specifically cover the National Electrical
8 Code. An electrician or technician who applies for renewal
9 of his expired license within forty-five (45) days after
10 its expiration and is otherwise entitled to renewal of his
11 license shall have his license renewed by paying an
12 additional fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00).

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14 (c) The ~~board~~department shall issue temporary
15 permits to engage in the work of a journeyman electrician,
16 low voltage technician or limited technician to a person
17 who applies, furnishes satisfactory evidence of experience
18 to qualify for the examination and pays the required fee.
19 Temporary permits shall continue in effect not longer than
20 one hundred fifty (150) days and may be revoked by the
21 ~~board~~department at any time.

22

23 (d) The ~~board~~department may issue a reciprocal
24 license to any applicant for a journeyman electrician,

1 master electrician, low voltage technician or limited
2 technician license if the applicant has obtained an out-of-
3 state or foreign license through an examination which is
4 equal to or exceeds the Wyoming journeyman electrician's,
5 master electrician's, low voltage technician's or limited
6 technician's examination.

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8 **35-9-127. Apprentice electricians and apprentice**
9 **technicians.**

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11 (a) An electrical contractor may employ apprentice
12 electricians to assist a licensed journeyman or master
13 electrician. From and after March 1, 1994, apprentice
14 electricians shall be enrolled in a bona fide program of
15 training approved by the bureau of apprenticeship and
16 training, United States department of labor, or present
17 evidence directly to the ~~board~~department that he is
18 enrolled in an apprentice training program which provides
19 training equivalent to a program approved by the bureau of
20 apprenticeship and training, United States department of
21 labor. The ~~board~~department may monitor the apprenticeship
22 programs and receive necessary progress reports. For
23 purposes of determining whether a program provides
24 equivalent training the ~~board~~department shall consider and

1 apply the current bureau of apprenticeship and training
2 standards. Apprentice electricians shall register with the
3 department ~~of fire prevention and electrical safety~~ and
4 update the registration yearly as required by the ~~board~~
5 department. The electrical contractor shall notify the
6 chief electrical inspector in writing of the name and
7 address of each apprentice electrician employed, and the
8 date of employment or termination of employment within ten
9 (10) days of the action. A licensed journeyman or master
10 electrician shall supervise each apprentice electrician. A
11 licensed journeyman or master electrician shall not
12 supervise more than two (2) apprentice electricians at the
13 same time.

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15 (b) A low voltage or limited electrical contractor
16 may employ apprentice technicians to assist a licensed
17 technician. Apprentice technicians shall be enrolled in a
18 program of training as approved by the ~~board~~department.
19 Apprentice technicians shall register with the department
20 ~~of fire prevention and electrical safety~~ and update the
21 registration yearly as required by the ~~board~~department.
22 The low voltage or limited electrical contractor shall
23 notify the chief electrical inspector in writing of the
24 name and address of each apprentice technician employed,

1 and the date of employment or termination of employment
2 within ten (10) days of the action. A licensed technician
3 shall supervise each apprentice technician. A licensed
4 technician shall not supervise more than one (1) apprentice
5 technician at the same time.

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7 **35-9-129. Fees.**

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9 (a) The fees for licenses, work permits, examinations
10 and apprentice registrations shall be determined by the
11 ~~board~~ department but shall not exceed:

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13 (b) ~~Fifty percent (50%)~~ Sixty percent (60%) of the
14 fees collected pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
15 shall be deposited in a separate account for the purpose of
16 providing additional state electrical inspectors. ~~Fifty~~
17 ~~percent (50%)~~ Forty percent (40%) of the fees collected
18 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall be
19 deposited in the general fund.

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21 **Section 3.** W.S. 35-9-106(a)(iii) and (e) and
22 35-9-124(e) are repealed.

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1 **Section 4.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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