
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that homeowners,
2 inspectors, and government agencies have difficulty identifying
3 the number of licensed tradespersons performing electrical and
4 plumbing work on construction job sites. Further, it may be
5 difficult to determine whether the ratio of licensed to
6 unlicensed tradesmen performing electrical and plumbing work on
7 construction job sites complies with the requirements of state
8 law.

9 The purpose of this Act is to provide for the
10 identification of licensed electricians and plumbers and the
11 enforcement of licensing requirements on construction job sites
12 to protect public safety and comply with state law.

13 SECTION 2. Section 444-9.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "§444-9.5 Licensing of electrical or plumbing workers.

16 (a) At least half of all individuals performing electrical or
17 plumbing work employed on a construction job site by an
18 electrical or plumbing contractor shall be licensed in



1 accordance with chapter 448E. The board may waive this
2 requirement in any county when there are insufficient licensed
3 electrical or plumbing workers in that county to comply
4 [~~herewith.~~] with this section.

5 (b) All individuals employed on a construction job site by
6 an electrical or plumbing contractor who are licensed in
7 accordance with chapter 448E shall visibly display their license
8 on their person while on the construction job site. Only
9 individuals displaying their license at the time of a site
10 inspection shall be counted as a licensee to determine
11 compliance with this section."

12 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Contractors; Licensing of Electricians and Plumbers

Description:

Requires licensed electrical or plumbing workers to display their license while on a construction job site to allow a determination of whether the contractor has met the requirement that at least 50 per cent of electrical or plumbing workers be licensed.' (SB2325 HD2)

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