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# 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,  
4 plumbing, and elevator work on construction job sites. Further,  
5 it may be difficult to determine whether the ratio of licensed  
6 to unlicensed tradesmen performing electrical, plumbing, and  
7 elevator work on construction job sites complies with the  
8 requirements of state law.

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

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

16           "§444-9.5 Licensing [ef]; electrical or plumbing  
17 workers[-]; elevator mechanics. (a) At least half of all  
18 individuals performing electrical [eæ], plumbing, or elevator



1 mechanic work employed on a construction job site by an  
2 electrical [~~or~~], plumbing, or elevator contractor shall be  
3 licensed in accordance with chapter 448E[~~-~~] for electrical or  
4 plumbing work or 448H for elevator mechanic work. The board may  
5 waive this requirement in any county when there are insufficient  
6 licensed electrical [~~or~~], plumbing, or elevator mechanic workers  
7 in that county to comply [~~herewith.~~] with this section.

8 (b) All individuals licensed in accordance with chapter  
9 448E or 448H, and who are employed on a construction job site by  
10 an electrical, plumbing, or elevator contractor, shall visibly  
11 display the license issued to them by the department on their  
12 person while on the construction job site. Licensed individuals  
13 not wearing their license at the time of a site inspection shall  
14 not be counted as a licensee to determine compliance with this  
15 section."

16 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Contractors; Licensing of Electricians, Plumbers, and Elevator Mechanics

**Description:**

Requires identification of licensed individuals performing electrical, plumbing, and elevator mechanic work on a construction job site. (SD1)

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