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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 59, L.D. 126, “An Act To Allow a Journeyman Electrician To Supervise Three Helper Electricians”

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

'An Act To Allow Electricians To Supervise More Helper Electricians and Apprentice Electricians'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1202-A, sub-§2, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 198, §17, is amended to read:

A. A journeyman electrician may make electrical installations while employed by a supervising master electrician, limited electrician or electrical company. A person licensed under this subsection may supervise:

- (1) Two helper electricians who are enrolled in, or have completed, a program of study consisting of 576 hours of education as approved by the board or from an accredited institution and one helper electrician who is not enrolled in or has not completed such a program;
- (2) Two apprentice electricians; ~~or~~
- (3) One helper electrician- when working on an industrial electrical installation as defined by the board by rule;
- (4) Two helper electricians when working on a residential, commercial or solar electrical installation as defined by the board by rule; or
- (5) One apprentice electrician and one helper electrician.

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §1202-A, sub-§4, ¶A, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 198, §17, is amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

1 A master electrician may supervise 2 helper electricians who are enrolled in, or have
2 completed, a program of study consisting of 576 hours of education as approved by the
3 board or from an accredited institution and one helper electrician who is not enrolled
4 in or has not completed such a program; 2 apprentice electricians; ~~or one helper~~
5 ~~electrician when working on an industrial electrical installation as defined by the board~~
6 ~~by rule; 2 helper electricians when working on a residential, commercial or solar~~
7 ~~electrical installation as defined by the board by rule; or one apprentice electrician and~~
8 ~~one helper electrician.~~ Any helper electrician or apprentice electrician must be
9 employed by a master electrician and be under the master electrician's supervision.

10 **Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §1202-A, sub-§5, ¶A**, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 198, §17, is
11 amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read:

12 A limited electrician may supervise 2 helper electricians who are enrolled in, or have
13 completed, a program of study consisting of 576 hours of education as approved by the
14 board or from an accredited institution and one helper electrician who is not enrolled
15 in or has not completed such a program; 2 apprentice electricians; ~~or one helper~~
16 ~~electrician when working on an industrial electrical installation as defined by the board~~
17 ~~by rule; 2 helper electricians when working on a residential, commercial or solar~~
18 ~~electrical installation as defined by the board by rule; or one apprentice electrician and~~
19 ~~one helper electrician.~~ A limited electrician may supervise helper electricians or
20 apprentice electricians only in the performance of electrical installations authorized by
21 the limited electrician's specific limited license category.'

22 Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section
23 number to read consecutively.

24 SUMMARY

25 This amendment changes the number of apprentice electricians and helper electricians
26 that a journeyman, master and limited electrician can supervise. Current law allows
27 journeyman, master and limited electricians to supervise 2 helper electricians who are
28 enrolled in, or who have completed, a program of study consisting of 576 hours of
29 education as approved by the board or from an accredited institution. This amendment
30 allows the supervision of such helper electricians and one helper electrician who is not
31 enrolled in, or has not completed, such a program. Current law also allows the supervision
32 of 2 apprentice electricians or one helper electrician. The amendment also allows the
33 supervision of one helper electrician in an industrial electrical application, 2 helper
34 electricians in residential, commercial and solar applications or one apprentice electrician
35 and one helper electrician.

36 FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

37 (See attached)