SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5928

As of February 27, 1995

Title: An act relating to electrical contractors.

Brief Description: Establishing a specialty low-voltage electrical contractors' license.

Sponsors: Senator Morton.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Labor, Commerce & Trade: 2/28/95.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, COMMERCE & TRADE

Staff: Max Williams (786-7439)

Background: Persons conducting the business of installing or maintaining wires or equipment to convey electric current, or installing or maintaining equipment operated by electric current, must have a valid electrical contractor's license. Persons conducting specialized electrical work may obtain a specialty electrical contractor's license which limits the scope of the electrical work to that specialty. These specialties include, but are not limited to: residential, domestic appliances, limited energy systems, signs, and pump and irrigation.

All electrical contractors licenses must be secured with a \$4,000 bond. All licensees must employ one person who holds an administrator's certificate as a general electrical contractor administrator, or as a specialty electrical contractor administrator in the specialty for which the license application was made.

Summary of Bill: A new classification of specialty electrical contractor's license is established for electrical projects of 24 volts or less. These low-voltage electrical contractor licensees are not subject to the requirement of an administrator's certificate.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on February 15, 1995.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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