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By Senator Baumgartner

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1 AN ACT Relating to office furniture installation,
2 reconfiguration, and maintenance; and reenacting and amending RCW
3 19.28.091.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.28.091 and 2003 c 399 s 301 and 2003 c 242 s 1
6 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

7 (1) No license under the provision of this chapter shall be
8 required from any utility or any person, firm, partnership,
9 corporation, or other entity employed by a utility because of work in
10 connection with the installation, repair, or maintenance of lines,
11 wires, apparatus, or equipment owned by or under the control of a
12 utility and used for transmission or distribution of electricity from
13 the source of supply to the point of contact at the premises and/or
14 property to be supplied and service connections and meters and other
15 apparatus or appliances used in the measurement of the consumption of
16 electricity by the customer.

17 (2) No license under the provisions of this chapter shall be
18 required from any utility because of work in connection with the
19 installation, repair, or maintenance of the following:

20 (a) Lines, wires, apparatus, or equipment used in the lighting of
21 streets, alleys, ways, or public areas or squares;

1 (b) Lines, wires, apparatus, or equipment owned by a commercial,
2 industrial, or public institution customer that are an integral part
3 of a transmission or distribution system, either overhead or
4 underground, providing service to such customer and located outside
5 the building or structure: PROVIDED, That a utility does not initiate
6 the sale of services to perform such work;

7 (c) Lines and wires, together with ancillary apparatus, and
8 equipment, owned by a customer that is an independent power producer
9 who has entered into an agreement for the sale of electricity to a
10 utility and that are used in transmitting electricity from an
11 electrical generating unit located on premises used by such customer
12 to the point of interconnection with the utility's system.

13 (3) Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity
14 licensed under RCW 19.28.041 may enter into a contract with a utility
15 for the performance of work under subsection (2) of this section.

16 (4) No license under the provisions of this chapter shall be
17 required from any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other
18 entity because of the work of installing and repairing ignition or
19 lighting systems for motor vehicles.

20 (5) No license under the provisions of this chapter shall be
21 required from any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other
22 entity because of work in connection with the installation, repair,
23 or maintenance of wires and equipment, and installations thereof,
24 exempted in RCW 19.28.010.

25 (6) The department may by rule exempt from licensing requirements
26 under this chapter work performed on premanufactured electric power
27 generation equipment assemblies and control gear involving the
28 testing, repair, modification, maintenance, or installation of
29 components internal to the power generation equipment, the control
30 gear, or the transfer switch.

31 (7) This chapter does not require an electrical contractor
32 license if: (a) An appropriately certified electrician or a properly
33 supervised certified electrical trainee is performing the
34 installation, repair, or maintenance of wires and equipment for a
35 nonprofit corporation that holds a current tax exempt status as
36 provided under 26 U.S.C. Sec. 501(c)(3) or a nonprofit religious
37 organization; (b) the certified electrician or certified electrical
38 trainee is not compensated for the electrical work; and (c) the value
39 of the electrical work does not exceed thirty thousand dollars.

1 (8) An entity that currently holds a valid specialty or general
2 plumbing contractor's registration under chapter 18.27 RCW may employ
3 a certified plumber, a certified residential plumber, or a plumber
4 trainee meeting the requirements of chapter 18.106 RCW to perform
5 electrical work that is incidentally, directly, and immediately
6 appropriate to the like-in-kind replacement of a household appliance
7 or other small household utilization equipment that requires limited
8 electric power and limited waste and/or water connections. A plumber
9 trainee must be supervised by a certified plumber or a certified
10 residential plumber while performing electrical work. The electrical
11 work is subject to the permitting and inspection requirements of this
12 chapter.

13 (9) No license under the provisions of this chapter shall be
14 required from any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other
15 entity because of work in connection with the installation,
16 reconfiguration, or maintenance of modular electrical systems that
17 are UL-listed for use in commercial furniture. This subsection does
18 not apply to line voltage connections to the building power source
19 necessary as part of the office furniture installation.

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