
HOUSE BILL 1756

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1 AN ACT Relating to exemptions from RCW 19.28.510 through 19.28.620;
2 and amending RCW 19.28.610.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.28.610 and 1992 c 240 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Nothing in RCW 19.28.510 through 19.28.620 shall be construed to
7 require that a person obtain a license or a certified electrician in
8 order to do electrical work at his or her residence or farm or place of
9 business or on other property owned by him or her, unless the building
10 under construction is intended for rent, sale, or lease: PROVIDED,
11 HOWEVER, That nothing in RCW 19.28.510 through 19.28.620 shall be
12 intended to derogate from or dispense with the requirements of any
13 valid electrical code enacted by a city or town pursuant to RCW
14 19.28.010(~~((+2))~~)(3), except that no code shall require the holder of a
15 certificate of competency to demonstrate any additional proof of
16 competency or obtain any other license or pay any fee in order to
17 engage in the electrical construction trade: AND PROVIDED FURTHER,
18 That RCW 19.28.510 through 19.28.620 shall not apply to common carriers
19 subject to Part I of the Interstate Commerce Act, nor to their officers

1 and employees: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That nothing in RCW 19.28.510
2 through 19.28.620 shall be deemed to apply to the installation or
3 maintenance of telephone, telegraph, radio, or television wires and
4 equipment; nor to any electrical utility or its employees in the
5 installation, repair, and maintenance of electrical wiring, circuits,
6 and equipment by or for the utility, or comprising a part of its
7 plants, lines or systems. The licensing provisions of RCW 19.28.510
8 through 19.28.620 shall not apply to:

9 (1) Persons making electrical installations on their own
10 property(~~(1~~

11 ~~(2))~~ or to regularly employed employees working on the premises of
12 their employer, unless the building under construction is intended for
13 rent, sale, or lease; or

14 (~~(3))~~ (2) Employees of an employer while the employer is
15 performing utility type work of the nature described in RCW 19.28.200
16 so long as such employees have registered in the state of Washington
17 with or graduated from a state-approved outside lineman apprenticeship
18 course that is recognized by the department and that qualifies a person
19 to perform such work: AND PROVIDED FURTHER, That nothing in RCW
20 19.28.510 through 19.28.620 shall be construed to restrict the right of
21 any householder to assist or receive assistance from a friend,
22 neighbor, relative or other person when none of the individuals doing
23 the electrical installation hold themselves out as engaged in the trade
24 or business of electrical installations. Nothing precludes any person
25 who is exempt from the licensing requirements of this chapter under
26 this section from obtaining a journeyman or specialty certificate of
27 competency if they otherwise meet the requirements of this chapter.

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