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By Senators Prentice, Gaspard, Sutherland, Sheldon, Vognild, Pelz,
Prince, Fraser and Winsley

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1 AN ACT Relating to continuing education requirements for
2 electricians; and amending RCW 19.28.550.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 19.28.550 and 1986 c 156 s 14 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 (1) The department shall issue a certificate of competency to all
7 applicants who have passed the examination provided in RCW 19.28.540,
8 and who have complied with RCW 19.28.510 through 19.28.620 and the
9 rules adopted under this chapter. The certificate shall bear the date
10 of issuance, and shall expire on ((the holder's birthdate two)) October
11 31st or April 30th, not less than six months nor more than three years
12 immediately following the date of issuance. The certificate shall be
13 renewed every ((two)) three years, upon application, on or before the
14 holder's birthdate. A fee shall be assessed for each certificate and
15 for each annual renewal.

16 (2) If the certificate holder demonstrates to the department that
17 he or she has satisfactorily completed an annual eight-hour continuing
18 education course, the certificate may be renewed without examination by

1 appropriate application unless the certificate has been revoked,
2 suspended, or not renewed within ninety days after the expiration date.

3 (a) The contents and requirements for satisfactory completion of
4 the continuing education course shall be determined by the director and
5 approved by the board.

6 (b) The department shall accept proof of a certificate holder's
7 satisfactory completion of a continuing education course offered in
8 another state as meeting the requirements for maintaining a current
9 Washington state certificate of competency if the department is
10 satisfied the course is comparable in nature to that required in
11 Washington state for maintaining a current certificate of competency.

12 (3) If the certificate is not renewed before the expiration date,
13 the individual shall pay twice the usual fee. The department shall set
14 the fees by rule for issuance and renewal of a certificate of
15 competency. The fees shall cover but not exceed the costs of issuing
16 the certificates and of administering and enforcing the electrician
17 certification requirements of this chapter.

18 (4) The certificates of competency and temporary permits provided
19 for in this chapter grant the holder the right to work in the
20 electrical construction trade as a journeyman electrician or specialty
21 electrician in accordance with their provisions throughout the state
22 and within any of its political subdivisions without additional proof
23 of competency or any other license, permit, or fee to engage in such
24 work.

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