

**HB 1590** - H AMD 647

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

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4 **"Sec. 1.** RCW 19.28.211 and 2013 c 23 s 33 are each amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 (1) The department shall issue a certificate of competency to  
7 all applicants who have passed the examination provided in RCW  
8 19.28.201, met the in-class education requirements of RCW 19.28.205  
9 if applicable, and who have complied with RCW 19.28.161 through  
10 19.28.271 and the rules adopted under this chapter. An applicant who  
11 qualified for certification by completing a journey level or  
12 residential specialty electrical construction trade apprenticeship  
13 under chapter 49.04 RCW shall be issued a journey level or  
14 residential specialty certificate of competency, as applicable, or  
15 master journey level or master residential specialty certificate of  
16 competency, as applicable, if the applicant otherwise qualifies  
17 under this chapter, with an indication that the individual completed  
18 a journey level or residential specialty electrical construction  
19 trade apprenticeship program under chapter 49.04 RCW. The  
20 certificate may include a photograph of the holder. The certificate  
21 shall bear the date of issuance, and shall expire on the holder's  
22 birthday. The certificate shall be renewed every three years, upon  
23 application, on or before the holder's birthdate. A fee shall be  
24 assessed for each certificate and for each annual renewal.

25 (2) If the certificate holder demonstrates to the department  
26 that he or she has satisfactorily completed an annual eight-hour  
27 continuing education course, the certificate may be renewed without

1 examination by appropriate application unless the certificate has  
2 been revoked, suspended, or not renewed within ninety days after the  
3 expiration date. For pump and irrigation or domestic pump specialty  
4 electricians, the continuing education course may combine both  
5 electrical and plumbing education provided that there is a minimum  
6 of four hours of electrical training in the course.

7 (a) The contents and requirements for satisfactory completion of  
8 the continuing education course shall be determined by the director  
9 and approved by the board.

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

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

23 (4) The certificates of competency and temporary permits  
24 provided for in this chapter grant the holder the right to work in  
25 the electrical construction trade as a master electrician, journey  
26 level electrician, or specialty electrician in accordance with their  
27 provisions throughout the state and within any of its political  
28 subdivisions without additional proof of competency or any other  
29 license, permit, or fee to engage in such work."

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31 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Strikes the underlying House Bill and provides that an applicant for a journey level or residential specialty electrician certificate of competency, or master journey level or residential specialty electrician certificate, who qualified by completing an apprenticeship must be issued a certificate indicating that the electrician completed an apprenticeship program.

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