

SENATE BILL 372: Electrical Contracting Licensure Mods.

2021-2022 General Assembly

| Committee: | Senate Commerce and Insurance. If favorable, | Date: | April 22, 2021 |
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| Introduced by: Analysis of: | re-refer to Rules and Operations of the Senate Sens. McInnis, Jarvis, Galey First Edition | Prepared by: | Amy Darden Committee Counsel |

OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 372 would codify a reduction of the hours of experience required for limited, intermediate, and unlimited electrical contractor licenses.

CURRENT LAW and BILL ANALYSIS: Currently, G.S. 87-43.3 provides that electrical contracting licenses must be issued in one of the following classifications: limited, intermediate, and unlimited.

The NC State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors sets the rules for electrical contractors. 21 NCAC 18B.0201. provides the requirements for each specific license and 21 NCAC 18B.0202. lists the experience requirement, specifically stating that 2,000 hours equals 1 year of experience. Licenses require both primary and secondary experience.

Senate Bill 372 would change and codify the experience requirements for the three classifications of electrical contractor licenses.

| License Classification | Current Experience Requirements 21 NCAC 18B .0201 | S372 Experience Requirements |
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| Limited license | 2 years (4,000 hours) including 1 year primary experience | 1.5 years (3,000 hours) including 1 year primary experience |
| Intermediate license | 4 years (8,000 hours) including 2.5 years primary experience | 2.875 years (5750 hours) including 2.5 years primary experience |
| Unlimited license | 5 years (10,000 hours) including 4 years primary experience | 4.5 years (9,000 hours) including 4 years primary experience |

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective October 1, 2021, and apply to applicants for licensure on or after that date.

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