## STATE OF WYOMING

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Electrical safety-low voltage licensing.

Sponsored by: Joint Corporations, Elections and Political Subdivisions Interim Committee

## A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to electrical safety; repealing waiver of 2 licensing requirement for installation of low voltage cable
- 3 services; providing waiver of licensing requirement for
- 4 installation, repair or maintenance of certain lawn
- 5 sprinkler control systems; and providing for an effective
- 6 date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 10 **Section 1.** W.S. 35-9-123(a)(viii) by creating a new
- 11 subparagraph (F) and 35-9-126(a) are amended to read:

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1 35-9-123. Electrical installations to be performed by

2 licensed electricians; exceptions.

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4 (a) Licensed electrical contractors employing

5 licensed master or journeymen electricians, or registered

6 apprentice electricians supervised by a licensed master or

7 journeyman electrician shall install all electrical

8 equipment. This requirement is waived for the following,

9 however the waiver does not exempt the following persons

10 from meeting all other code requirements under this act:

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expertise for the:

12 (viii) Licensed limited electrical contractors 13 employing licensed limited technicians or registered 14 limited apprentice technicians who may install electrical 15 equipment which falls under the scope of their limited license or registration. The electrical work shall only 16 17 include the electrical system on the load side of the 18 disconnect which supplies power to the electrical equipment that they are licensed to work on. The chief electrical 19 inspector may issue a limited electrical contractor's 20 21 license to a contractor not qualified for an electrical

contractor's license but qualified in his limited area of

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2 (F) Installation, repair or maintenance of

3 lawn sprinkler control systems limited to wiring on the

4 load side of the system disconnect.

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6 35-9-126. Licensing of master electricians,

7 journeymen electricians, low voltage technicians, limited

8 technicians; temporary permits; reciprocal licenses; master

9 electrician of record for only 1 electrical contractor;

10 technician of record for only 1 low voltage or limited

11 electrical contractor.

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(a) Applicants for master electrician, journeymen electrician, low voltage technician and limited technician licenses shall apply to the chief electrical inspector on a form furnished by the board and accompanied by the required examination fee. The form shall state the applicant's full name, his address, the extent of his experience and other information required by the board. An applicant who complies with the rules of the board, is qualified, successfully completes the examination and pays the required license fee shall be issued the proper license by

the chief electrical inspector which bears the date of

- 1 issue. A master license shall expire on July 1 in the
- 2 third year following the year of issue. A journeyman
- 3 license shall expire on January 1 in the third year
- 4 following the year of issue. A low voltage technician
- 5 license shall expire on July 1 in the third year following
- 6 the year of issue. A limited technician license shall
- 7 expire on July 1 in the third year following the year of
- 8 issue. Credit for time spent in any electrical school
- 9 shall be given to master electricians, journeyman
- 10 electricians, low voltage technicians or limited
- 11 technicians for time spent in classes up to a total of two
- 12 (2) years, or four thousand (4,000) hours, on the work
- 13 experience requirements.

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- 15 \*\*\* Staff note: The actual hours required are set in
- 16 the board's rules. There is no specific requirement in
- 17 Wyoming statute. This statute only sets the limit on hours
- 18 the board may allow credit for school. \*\*\*

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20 **Section 2.** W.S. 35-9-123(a)(iv) is repealed.

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22 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2010.

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