

Expedited Bill No. 16-05
Concerning: Electricity - Licenses -
Exceptions
Revised: 6-3-05 Draft No. 2
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Ch. 15, Laws of Mont. Co. 2005

COUNTY COUNCIL FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: Councilmember Praisner

AN EXPEDITED ACT to:

- (1) clarify a certain exception to the licensing requirement for electrical work; and
- (2) generally amend the law governing licenses and permits for electrical work.

By amending

Montgomery County Code
Chapter 17, Electricity
Section 17-18

Boldface	<i>Heading or defined term.</i>
<u>Underlining</u>	<i>Added to existing law by original bill.</i>
[Single boldface brackets]	<i>Deleted from existing law by original bill.</i>
<u>Double underlining</u>	<i>Added by amendment.</i>
[[Double boldface brackets]]	<i>Deleted from existing law or the bill by amendment.</i>
* * *	<i>Existing law unaffected by bill.</i>

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following Act:

1 **Sec. 1. Section 17-18 is amended as follows:**

2 **17-18. Applicability of article; exceptions.**

3 (a) The licensing [provisions contained herein shall] requirements of this
4 Article apply only to electrical work [within the purview of the
5 electrical code of the county, and shall not apply to a] covered by this
6 Chapter, as specified in Section 17-1. Each licensee must perform all
7 electrical work as required by this Chapter and the code and regulations
8 adopted under it.

9 (b) Any person who installs, repairs, or maintains electrical equipment, in
10 [his own] a detached single-family residence which that person or a
11 member of the person's immediate family owns, [electrical equipment
12 owned by him and] for [his own] the person's or immediate family's
13 use, need not obtain a license under this Article. [provided that, before
14 performing] Before any [such] electrical work is performed under this
15 subsection, [he shall] the owner of the residence must apply to the
16 Director for a permit [where] if a permit is otherwise required by this
17 Chapter.

18 (c) [The] Before issuing a permit under this subsection, the Director [shall]
19 must require the [applicant] person who will perform the work to show
20 that [the applicant] he or she is qualified to perform [such] the proposed
21 electrical work in a capable manner so as not to endanger the life and
22 property of [himself, persons in the neighborhood] occupants or
23 neighbors, or property belonging to any public utility [suppliers]. If the
24 Director finds that [applicant] the designated person is qualified to
25 perform [such] the proposed electrical work, the Director must issue a
26 permit for that work, [will be issued] subject to compliance with all
27 otherwise applicable requirements of this Chapter.

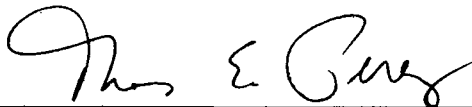
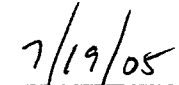
28 (d) [No] A permit [shall be] is not required for any minor [repairs] repair, as
29 defined in this Chapter.

30 [(b) Nothing in the licensing provisions contained herein shall be construed
31 to exempt any electrical work in the County from complying with the
32 requirements of the County electrical code.]

33 **Sec. 2. Expedited Effective Date.**

34 The Council declares that this legislation is necessary for the immediate
35 protection of the public interest. This Act takes effect on the date on which it
36 becomes law.

37 *Approved:*

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Thomas E. Perez, President, County Council Date

39 *Approved:*

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Douglas M. Duncan, County Executive Date

41 *This is a correct copy of Council action.*

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Linda M. Lauer, Clerk of the Council Date