

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE REPORT

2023 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-048-2023

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Committee: TIEE

Date: 6/22/2023

Action: FAV

REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 5-0 (In Favor: Council Members Olson, Dernoga, Hawkins, Ivey, and Watson).

The Committee convened on June 22, 2023, to discuss CB-48-2023, which amends Subtitle 2, Division 14B of the County Code by removing references to licensing of Master Electrician, Journeyman Electrician, Apprentice Electrician, and Electrical Contractor. As a result of the passage of the Maryland Electricians Act (Senate Bill 762 of 2021), the licensing of these classifications is now handled by the State Board of Electricians.

Staff from the County Department of Permitting, Inspections & Enforcement (DPIE) attended the meeting to provide details. DPIE retains the authority to issue licenses for the “Master Electrician, Limited” and “Electrical Contractor, Limited” classifications. The Limited classifications can perform electrical work involving electrical currents of 50 volts or less. CB-48 updates the County Code to reflect state law that went into effect on July 1, 2021.

The County Executive’s Office supports CB-48-2023 and the Office of Law finds the bill to be in proper legislative form with no legal impediments to enactment.

After discussion, the Committee voted favorably on CB-48-2023 by a vote of 5-0.