February 19, 2013 – Introduced by Representative KNODL, cosponsored by Senator GROTHMAN. Referred to Committee on Labor.

AN ACT to amend 101.861 of the statutes; and to affect 2007 Wisconsin Act 63, section 44 (1); relating to: the effective date for licensing and registration requirements for electricians and electrical contractors.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under statutory provisions that will become law on April 1, 2013, a person may not work as a master, journeyman, beginning, or apprentice electrician or as an electrical contractor unless the person is licensed or registered with the Department of Safety and Professional Services. This law, and rules promulgated pursuant to this law, impose various experience, training, examination, and other requirements on applicants for these licenses, depending on the type of license being issued. This bill changes the effective date of these statutory provisions to April 1, 2014.

For further information see the state fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 101.861 of the statutes is amended to read:

101.861 Municipal licensing authority. Any ordinance enacted by a municipality that relates to licensure or certification of electrical contractors or
electricians pursuant to the municipality's authority under s. 101.865, 2005 stats., or s. 101.87, 2005 stats., and that is in existence on March 19, 2008, shall remain in effect until April 1, 2013, but may not be amended or repealed during this time period. Beginning on April 1, 2013, such an ordinance is no longer in effect, and municipalities may no longer impose any registration, licensing, or certification requirements on electrical contractors, electricians, or electrical inspectors.

**SECTION 2.** 2007 Wisconsin Act 63, section 44 (1) is amended to read:

[2007 Wisconsin Act 63] Section 44 (1) The treatment of sections 59.79 (4) and 101.862 of the statutes takes effect on the first day of the 61st 73rd month beginning after publication.

(END)