

1983 Senate Bill 79

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**1983 Wisconsin Act 164**

AN ACT to renumber 167.16; to amend subchapter IV (title) of chapter 101 and 101.88 (3); and to create 101.87 of the statutes, relating to directing the department of industry, labor and human relations to develop a certification exam for master electricians and granting rule-making authority.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter IV (title) of chapter 101 of the statutes is amended to read:

CHAPTER 101  
SUBCHAPTER IV  
INSPECTION OF ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION AND  
CERTIFICATION OF MASTER ELECTRICIANS

SECTION 2. 101.87 of the statutes is created to read:

**101.87 Master electricians.** (1) The department shall adopt rules establishing a uniform examination for the statewide certification of master electricians. The rules shall provide for the periodic administration of the examination, shall specify the certification period and examination fee and shall establish criteria for the suspension of the certificate by the department for violations of a municipality's electrical code upon notification of such violations by the municipality.

(2) Any municipality which by ordinance requires the licensure of electrical contractors shall issue a license to any electrical contractor who wishes to perform electrical construction work in the municipality upon the submission by the electrical contractor of evidence that at least one of his or her full-time employes has been certified by the state as a master electrician under sub. (1), and upon the payment of the municipality's licen-

sure fee and the posting of any required bond. The municipality's licensure fee may not exceed the amount required to cover the administrative costs of issuing the license.

(3) If a municipality that requires the licensure of electrical contractors on the effective date of this section (1983), thereafter ceases to require such licensure but requires state certification under sub. (1), a person licensed by the municipality may continue to perform electrical construction work in that municipality upon application to the department for restricted certification limited to that municipality. The department may charge a fee for such certification.

SECTION 3. 101.88 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

101.88 (3) ~~Whoever~~ Except as provided under s. 101.865 (2), whoever violates this subchapter or any rule promulgated under this subchapter shall forfeit to the state not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 for each violation. Each day of violation constitutes a separate offense.

SECTION 4. 167.16 of the statutes is renumbered 101.865.

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