

SCS SB 862 -- ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

SPONSOR: Schatz

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Workforce Development by a vote of 7 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee by Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill modifies provisions relating to electrical contractors. Electrical contractors who have an occupational or business license for work as an electrical contractor or master electrician issued by a political subdivision shall be eligible for a statewide license if the applicant meets certain requirements as set forth in the bill.

Any person operating as an electrical contractor with a local license in a political subdivision that requires a local license shall not be required to possess a statewide license to continue to operate in such political subdivision.

No political subdivision shall require the holder of a statewide license to obtain a local business or occupational license that requires the passing of any examination or any special requirements to assess proficiency or mastery of the electrical trades. The holder of a statewide license shall be deemed eligible to perform such work from any political subdivision within the State of Missouri.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will clarify existing law concerning the statewide electrical contractor license and how it is interpreted by local entities and the Division of Professional Registration.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Schatz.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.