AN ACT relating to electrical work.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

→ Section 1. KRS 227.450 is amended to read as follows:

As used in KRS 227.450 to 227.500 unless the context otherwise requires:

- "Alteration" means any change, modification, or adjustment to an existing electrical system or conduit;
- (2) "Commissioner" means the commissioner of the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction;
- (3) "Division" means the Electrical Division within the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction;
- (4) "Electrical contractor" means any licensed individual, partnership, or corporation that is licensed to engage in, offers to engage in, or advertises or holds itself out to be qualified to engage in designing, planning, superintending, contracting of, or assuming responsibility for the installation, alteration, or repair of any electrical system[used for the purpose of furnishing heat, light, or power], and employs electrical workers to engage in this practice. If the electrical contractor is not a master electrician, the electrical contractor shall employ at least one (1) full-time master electrician;
- (5) "Electrical system" means any electrical work subject to standards provided within the National Electrical Code as adopted in the Uniform State Building Code, as promulgated by the Board of Housing, Buildings and Construction;
- (6) "Electrician" means any person licensed by the department who is employed by an electrical contractor and is engaged in the construction, alteration, or repair of any electrical system[used for the purpose of furnishing heat, light, or power];
- (7) "Electrical" pertains to the installation, alteration, or repair of wires and conduits for the purpose of transmitting electricity, and the installation of fixtures and equipment in connection therewith;

- (8) "Electrical inspector" means any person certified by the commissioner[of housing, buildings and construction] pursuant to KRS 227.489 who, for compensation, inspects the construction and installation of <u>an electrical system</u>[electrical conductors, fittings, devices, and fixtures for light, heat, or power service equipment] to ascertain[-the] compliance with the National Electrical Code incorporated in the Uniform State Building Code promulgated pursuant to KRS 198B.050 or the standards of safety of the Commonwealth of Kentucky;
- (9) "Department" means the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction; and
- (10) "Repair" means the reconstruction or renewal of any <u>electrical</u> part of an existing building for the purpose of its maintenance.

Section 2. KRS 227.530 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) There is hereby created an Electrical Advisory Committee which shall be attached to the Electrical Division within the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction for administrative purposes. The committee shall be constituted as follows:
 - (a) Two (2) members chosen from public utility companies;
 - (b) Two (2) members who are electricians;
 - (c) Two (2) members who are certified electrical inspectors, one (1) of whom shall be employed by a governmental entity and the other who shall be an electrical inspector contracted to conduct inspections of electrical installations;
 - (d) Two (2) members who are licensed professional electrical engineers;
 - (e) Two (2) members who are engaged in the business of electrical contracting;
 - (f) One (1) member who is engaged in the business of electrical contracting and who employs no more than five (5) full-time employees when appointed;

(g) One (1) member who is engaged primarily in the business of providing lowvoltage electrical services;

(h) One (1) member who is a certified low-voltage installer; and

- (*i*)[(*g*)] The commissioner of the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction or his or her designee.
- (2) Appointed committee members shall be appointed by the Governor for four (4) year terms. No committee member shall be appointed for more than one (1) successive term.
- (3) The committee shall meet at least quarterly or upon request of the department for the purpose of considering matters relating to electrical installations and electrical inspections. The committee shall have the opportunity to review and comment on relevant administrative regulations that are subject to the requirements of KRS 198B.030(8) and (9) and 198B.040(11) and shall make recommendations to and otherwise advise the department on these matters.
- (4) All committee members shall be compensated for expenses incurred in the conduct of Commonwealth business.

Section 3. KRS 227A.010 is amended to read as follows:

As used in KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act</u>[227A.140], unless the context otherwise requires:

- (1) "Authorized local licensing program" means any city, county, urban-county, charter county, or consolidated local government electrician and electrical contractor licensing program established by local ordinance for the purpose of licensing electrical workers. "Authorized local licensing program" shall include a licensing program established through a cooperative agreement between two (2) or more counties;
- (2) "Committee" means the Electrical Advisory Committee as described in KRS 227.530;
- (3) "Department" means the Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction;
- (4) "Electrical" pertains to the installation, alteration, or repair of wires and conduits for

the purpose of transmitting electricity, and the installation of fixtures and equipment in connection therewith;

- (5) "Electrical contractor" means any licensed individual, partnership, or corporation that is licensed to engage in, offers to engage in, or advertises or holds itself out to be qualified to engage in designing, planning, superintending, contracting of, or assuming responsibility for the installation, alteration, or repair of any electrical system[<u>used for the purpose of furnishing heat, light, or power</u>], and employs electrical workers to engage in this practice. If the electrical contractor is not a master electrician, the electrical contractor shall employ at least one (1) full-time master electrician; however, no master electrician shall act in this capacity for more than one (1) electrical contractor;
- (6) "Electrical system" means any electrical work subject to standards provided within the National Electrical Code as adopted in the Uniform State Building Code, as promulgated by the Board of Housing, Buildings and Construction;
- (7) "Electrician" means any person licensed by the department who is employed by an electrical contractor and is engaged in the construction, alteration, or repair of any electrical system[used for the purpose of furnishing heat, light, or power];
- (8) "Maintenance worker or maintenance engineer" means a person who is a regular, bona fide employee or agent of a property owner, property lessor, property management company, or firm that is not in the electrical business but has jurisdiction over the property where the routine maintenance of electrical systems is being performed;
- (9) "Master electrician" means any individual licensed to engage in, and assume responsible charge, supervision, or direction of an electrician engaged in the construction, installation, alteration, or repair of any electrical system[<u>used to</u> <u>furnish heat, light, or power];</u>
- (10) "Repair" means the reconstruction or renewal of any <u>electrical</u> part of an existing

building for the purpose of its maintenance; and

(11) "Routine maintenance of electrical systems" means the routine and periodic servicing of electrical systems, including cleaning, inspecting, and making adjustments to ensure the proper operation and the removal or replacement of component parts. "Routine maintenance of electrical systems" does not include the installation of complete electrical systems.

Section 4. KRS 227A.020 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) A person who is not licensed as an electrical contractor shall not represent himself or herself to the public as an electrical contractor or use any terms, titles, or abbreviations which express or imply that the person is a licensed electrical contractor.
- (2) A person who is not licensed as a master electrician shall not represent himself or herself to the public as a master electrician or use any terms, titles, or abbreviations which express or imply that the person is a licensed master electrician.
- (3) A person who is not licensed as an electrician shall not represent himself or herself to the public as an electrician or use any terms, titles, or abbreviations which express or imply that the person is a licensed electrician.
- (4) A person who is not licensed as an electrical contractor, electrician, or master electrician shall not engage in any activities or perform any of the duties usually performed by an electrical contractor, electrician, or master electrician unless the unlicensed person is under the direct supervision of a licensed electrician or master electrician who is present on the site where the work is being performed.
- (5) <u>A person who is not certified as a low-voltage installer shall not represent himself</u> or herself to the public as a certified low-voltage installer or use any terms, titles, or abbreviations which express or imply that the person is a certified low-voltage installer. A person shall not represent himself or herself to the public as holding a particular classification of low-voltage certification or use any terms, titles, or

abbreviations which express or imply that the person holds that classification unless he or she is certified for that classification.

- (6) An authorized local licensing program in existence on June 24, 2003, may contract with the department to become an agent of the department for purposes of the issuance and renewal of licenses issued pursuant to KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140. The department may also contract with local governments that want to become authorized licensing programs.
- (7)[(6)] KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act</u>[227A.140] shall supersede all ordinances or regulations regulating electricians, master electricians, [-and] electrical contractors, <u>and low-voltage installers</u> of any city, county, urban-county, charter county, or consolidated local government. This provision shall not affect city, county, urban-county, charter county, or consolidated local government regulations relating to zoning requirements or occupational payroll taxes pertaining to electricians, master electricians, and electrical contractors.

→ Section 5. KRS 227A.030 is amended to read as follows:

(1) KRS 227A.020(4) shall not apply to:

- (a)[(1)] <u>A person performing an installation</u>[The provisions of KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall not apply to installations] under the exclusive control of electric utilities for the purpose of communication, metering, or for the generation, control, transformation, transmission, and distribution of electric energy located in buildings used exclusively by utilities for those purposes or located outdoors on property owned or leased by the utility or on public highways, streets, or roads, or outdoors by established rights on private property;[-]
- (b)[(2)] <u>A</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall require that a] maintenance worker or maintenance engineer performing routine maintenance of electrical systems; [be licensed.]

- <u>(c)</u>[(3)] <u>A</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall prohibit or interfere with the ability of a] homeowner <u>performing electrical work on his or her</u> <u>residence;</u>
- <u>(d)</u> <u>A[or]</u> farmer <u>performing electrical work</u>[to install or repair electrical wiring]
 on his or her <u>farm;[real property.]</u>
- (e)[(4)] <u>A</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall require that a] retailer or its agent engaged in making installations of an appliance purchased at a retail establishment; be licensed.
- (5) Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall be construed to require persons making installations exempt by KRS 227.460 to be licensed or to work for a licensed person.]
 - (f)[(6)] <u>An</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall preclude the use of] unlicensed, nonresident <u>electrician employed or engaged to perform work</u> <u>during an emergency or industrial shutdown. An</u>[electricians in temporary, emergency, or industrial shutdown situations. Those] unlicensed, nonresident <u>electrician</u>[electricians] shall apply for an electrician's license or a master electrician's license after <u>he or she has been</u>[they are] employed and engaged in electrical work in the Commonwealth of Kentucky for a period of ten (10) days. No unlicensed, nonresident electrician shall be employed or engaged in electricial work in the Commonwealth of Kentucky for a total of more than thirty (30) days in any calendar year without <u>obtaining</u>[applying for] an electrician's license or a master electrician's license. The license shall be obtained by the temporary, unlicensed, nonresident electricians within sixty (60) days of securing employment;[-]
 - (g)[(7)] <u>A</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall apply to a] person performing work at a surface or underground coal mine or at a coal preparation plant;[.]

- <u>(h)[(8)]</u> <u>A person performing work on a low-voltage, power-limited installation</u> <u>for control or coordination of interconnected devices separated from a</u> <u>power source by a Class 2 or Class 3 transformer for the purpose of</u> providing:
 - 1. Cable service, telecommunications service, advanced communications services, wire communication, or television service, as defined by and subject to the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. sec. 153, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub L. No. 104-104, 110 Stat. 56 (1996) codified throughout Title 47 U.S.C., if the person is performing work for a company that provides such services;
 - 2. Communications or multichannel video programming services, as defined by KRS 136.602 and subject to the requirements of KRS Chapter 136, if the person is performing work for a company that provides such services; or
 - 3. Broadband services, as defined by KRS 278.5461(1), if the person is performing work for a company that provides such services; [Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall apply to a person performing work for a telecommunications company for which the voltage is fifty (50) volts or less.]
- (*i*)[(9)] <u>A</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall prohibit a] factoryauthorized representative <u>engaged in</u>[from] the installation, maintenance, or service of a medical equipment device. This exemption does not include work providing electrical feeds into the power distribution unit or installation of conduits and raceways. This exemption covers only those factory engineers or third-party service companies with equivalent training who are qualified to perform such service:[.]
- (i)[(10)] <u>A person performing work on a low-voltage</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010

to 227A.140 shall apply to low-voltage], power-limited *installation*[installations] for control or coordination of interconnected devices separated from a power source by a Class 2 or Class 3 transformer, *if the person is*[installed by a person] licensed *or certified* as:

- <u>1.[(a)]</u> A master <u>heating, ventilation, and air conditioning contractor</u> or journeyman heating, ventilation, and air conditioning <u>mechanic[technician_employed_by_a_licensed_HVAC_contractor]</u> pursuant to KRS 198B.658, while engaged in the practice of heating, ventilation, and air conditioning as defined by KRS 198B.650;
- <u>2.[(b)]</u> A fire protection sprinkler contractor pursuant to KRS 198B.560,
 <u>while engaged in the installation of a fire protection sprinkler system</u> as defined by KRS 198B.550;
- 3.[(c)] A manufactured housing <u>retailer pursuant to KRS 227.610 or</u> installer pursuant to KRS 227.570, while engaged in the installation of <u>a manufactured home as defined in KRS 227.550</u>[dealer or certified installer pursuant to KRS 227.610];
- <u>4.[(d)]</u> A boiler <u>and pressure vessel contractor[mechanic]</u> pursuant to KRS 236.210, while engaged in the business of installing, erecting, or <u>repairing boilers or pressure vessels;</u>
- <u>5.[(e)]</u> A master or journeyman plumber pursuant to KRS 318.030, *while* engaged in plumbing as defined by KRS 318.010;
- <u>6.[(f)]</u> An onsite sewage disposal system installer pursuant to KRS 211.357, while engaged in the installation of an onsite sewage disposal <u>system</u>; or
- <u>7.[(g)]</u> <u>A low-voltage installer certified pursuant to Section 9 of this Act,</u> performing low-voltage electrical work within the scope of his or her <u>certification class;</u>[An electrician or master electrician employed by an

electrical contractor pursuant to KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140.]

- (k)[(11)] <u>An employee of an industrial manufacturing facility or natural gas</u> pipeline facility performing work at that facility; or
- (1) A person performing work on a home surveillance or security alarm system, or home energy management system, if the work constitutes a low-voltage, power limited installation for control or coordination of interconnected wireless devices separated from a power source by a Class 2 or Class 3 transformer. This exception shall not apply to fire, smoke, or carbon monoxide alarm systems that are subject to the provisions of the Uniform State Building Code, or to nurse call or mass notification systems. A person performing work under this exception may also install a thermostat to a heating, ventilation, or air conditioning system, or a control switch to a general lighting fixture, fan, or power outlet, if the thermostat or switch:
 - 1. Is an ancillary component of the wireless system;
 - 2. Is of like kind to the existing thermostat or switch and utilizes the existing wiring system without alteration of the circuit; and
 - 3. In the case of a thermostat, is compatible with and installed in compliance with the manufacturer's instructions applicable to the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system which it controls[The provisions of KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall not apply to work performed at industrial manufacturing facilities or natural gas pipeline facilities by employees of those facilities].
- (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, all electrical work shall be performed in accordance with the standards provided within the National Electrical Code as adopted by the Commonwealth in the Uniform State Building Code.

→ Section 6. KRS 227A.040 is amended to read as follows:

- The department, with assistance from the Electrical Advisory Committee, shall administer and enforce the provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this</u> <u>Act</u>[227A.140] and shall evaluate the qualifications of applicants for licensure <u>or</u> certification.
- (2) The department may issue subpoenas, examine witnesses, pay appropriate witness fees, administer oaths, and investigate allegations of practices violating the provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act</u>[227A.140] or the administrative regulations promulgated under KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this</u> <u>Act[227A.140]</u> and KRS Chapter 13A.
- (3) The department shall conduct hearings under KRS Chapter 13B and keep records and minutes necessary to carry out the functions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of</u> <u>this Act[227A.140]</u>.
- (4) The department, with assistance from the Electrical Advisory Committee, shall evaluate the qualifications of applicants and issue licenses <u>or certificates</u> to qualified candidates.
- (5) The department shall renew licenses *or certificates*.
- (6) The department may:
 - (a) Refuse to issue or renew a license *or certificate*;
 - (b) Suspend or revoke a license *or certificate*;
 - (c) Impose supervisory or probationary conditions upon a licensee <u>or certificate</u> <u>holder</u>;
 - (d) Impose administrative disciplinary fines;
 - (e) Issue written reprimands or admonishments; and
 - (f) Take any combination of the actions permitted in this subsection.
- (7) The department may seek injunctive relief in the Circuit Court of Franklin County, in the county in which the violation occurred, or in the county where the business of the accused is located to stop any unlawful practice in KRS 227A.010 to *Section 9*

<u>of this Act</u>[227A.140] and administrative regulations promulgated thereunder. The department may also seek injunctive relief for unlicensed <u>or uncertified</u> persons who inappropriately use the title "electrical contractor," "electrician,"[or] "master electrician," <u>or "certified low-voltage installer</u>."

- (8) The department, with comments and advice from the Electrical Advisory Committee if required by KRS 198B.030(8) and (9), may promulgate administrative regulations to create a code of ethics and procedures governing the licensure of electrical contractors, electricians, and master electricians, *and the certification of low-voltage installers*.
- (9) The department may enter into reciprocal agreements with other states having licensure, certification, or registration qualifications and requirements substantially equal to those of this state.

 \rightarrow Section 7. KRS 227A.050 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) All fees and other moneys received by the department under the provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act</u>[227A.140] shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of a revolving fund for use by the department in administering the provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act[227A.140]</u>.
- (2) No part of this revolving fund shall revert to the general funds of the Commonwealth.
- (3) An authorized local licensing program under KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this</u> <u>Act</u>[227A.140] shall negotiate with the department the amount of the fees to be retained by the authorized local licensing program.
- (4) Funds for the initial administration of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this</u> <u>Act</u>[227A.140,] following June 24, 2003, and to the extent fee income is insufficient to meet actual costs as determined by the chief budget officer for the department, shall be borrowed from surplus trust and agency accounts of the department and repaid without interest over no more than the succeeding two (2)

fiscal years.

→ Section 8. KRS 227A.110 is amended to read as follows:

- The department may, following a hearing pursuant to KRS Chapter 13B, impose sanctions specified in KRS 227A.040 upon proof that <u>a[the]</u> licensee <u>or certificate</u> <u>holder</u> has:
 - (a) Misrepresented or concealed a material fact in obtaining a license <u>or</u>
 <u>certificate</u>, or in the <u>renewal or</u> reinstatement thereof;
 - (b) Been incompetent or negligent in the practice of performing electrical work;
 - (c) Failed to comply with an order issued by the department or an assurance of voluntary compliance; or
 - (d) Violated any provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act[227A.140]</u> and administrative regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (2) One (1) year from the date of a revocation, any former licensee <u>or certificate holder</u> whose license <u>or certificate</u> has been revoked may petition the department for reinstatement. The department shall investigate the petition and may reinstate the license <u>or certificate</u> upon a finding that the applicant has complied with any terms prescribed by the department and is again able to competently engage in the practice of performing electrical work.
- (3) At any time during the investigative or hearing processes, the department may enter into an agreed order or accept an assurance of voluntary compliance with the license <u>or certificate</u> holder which effectively deals with the complaint.
- (4) The department may reconsider, modify, or reverse its probations, suspensions, or other disciplinary actions.

Section 9. KRS 227A.150 is amended to read as follows:

<u>The department shall promulgate administrative regulations to establish the</u> <u>qualifications, standards for experience and testing, and procedures for the issuance</u> and renewal of a certificate authorizing a person exempt from electrical licensure *under subsection (1)(j)7. of Section 5 of this Act to install and perform work* <u>on</u>[Nothing in KRS 227A.010 to 227A.140 shall apply to]</u> low-voltage, power-limited installations for control or coordination of interconnected devices separated from a power source by a Class 2 or Class 3 transformer[-installed by a low-voltage installer certificate holder]. The department shall, by administrative regulation, establish separate classifications of low-voltage certification, the categories of low-voltage work that each may perform, separate standards for continuing education to maintain class certification, and fees[-set the standards for experience and testing for issuance of a lowvoltage installer certificate by administrative regulation and may charge a fee to be set by the department by administrative regulation but] not to exceed the actual cost of issuance or renewal of the certificate.

→SECTION 10. A NEW SECTION OF KRS 227A.010 TO 227A.150 IS CREATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- (1) Installation, removal, or maintenance of load control or energy conservation devices on customer properties by or under direction of an electric utility or an electric cooperative under the jurisdiction of the Kentucky Public Service Commission shall be performed by an electrician or master electrician.
- (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, installation of low-voltage, powerlimited load control or energy conservation devices separated from a power source by a Class 2 or Class 3 transformer shall not require an electrician or master electrician if the installation is performed by a person certified to do so in accordance with Section 9 of this Act.
- (3) An inspection or permit shall not be required for any installation, removal, or maintenance conducted pursuant to this section.
- (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the installation, removal, or maintenance of load control or energy conservation devices conducted pursuant to this section shall be performed in accordance with the standards provided

within the National Electrical Code as adopted by the Commonwealth.

(5) The department may promulgate administrative regulations to establish reporting and recordkeeping requirements for any electrical work performed under this section.

→ Section 11. KRS 227A.070 is amended to read as follows:

Upon application to the department and payment of all applicable fees, the department shall license by endorsement an applicant who is registered, licensed, or certified in another state if the requirements for registration, licensing, or certification in the issuing state are substantially equal to the requirements for licensing in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the applicant is in good standing in the issuing state. The department shall license an applicant by endorsement only if the issuing state extends similar reciprocity to Kentucky citizens licensed under KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act[227A.140]</u>.

→ Section 12. KRS 227A.090 is amended to read as follows:

- (1) The department, with advice from the Electrical Advisory Committee, shall select and approve an examination to be used in determining the competency of persons to be licensed under KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this Act</u>[227A.140]. Examinations selected and approved for each level of licensing shall be nationally recognized examinations which have been determined through proper validation techniques to measure successfully an individual's competency to perform the licensed practice.
- (2) The department shall offer the examinations on a regularly scheduled basis in localities determined by the committee. The department shall offer the examinations through any authorized local licensing program.
- (3) The department may contract with an outside entity or testing service for the administration of examinations required for licensure.
 →Section 13. KRS 227A.100 is amended to read as follows:
- Each licensee licensed under the provisions of KRS 227A.010 to <u>Section 9 of this</u>
 <u>Act[227A.140]</u> shall annually, on or before the last day of the licensee's birth

month, pay to the department a renewal fee as established in administrative regulations promulgated by the department.

- (2) A sixty (60) day grace period shall be allowed after the anniversary date of the license during which time a licensee may continue to practice and may renew his or her license upon payment of the renewal fee plus a late renewal fee as promulgated by administrative regulation of the department.
- (3) A license not renewed before the end of the sixty (60) day grace period shall terminate based on the failure of the licensee to renew in a timely manner. Upon termination, the licensee is no longer eligible to practice in the Commonwealth.
- (4) After the sixty (60) day grace period, a former licensee with a terminated license may have the license reinstated upon payment of the renewal fee plus a reinstatement fee as promulgated by administrative regulation of the department. An applicant for reinstatement after termination of the license shall not be required to submit to any examination as a condition for reinstatement, if the reinstatement application is made within three (3) years from the date of termination.
- (5) A suspended license is subject to expiration and termination and shall be renewed as provided in this section. Renewal shall not entitle the licensee to engage in the practice until the suspension has ended or is otherwise removed by the department and the right to practice is restored by the department.
- (6) A revoked license is subject to expiration or termination but may not be renewed. If it is reinstated, the former licensee shall pay the reinstatement fee as promulgated by administrative regulations under subsection (4) of this section and the renewal fee as promulgated by administrative regulations under subsection (1) of this section.
- (7) The department shall require an applicant for renewal or reinstatement of a license to show evidence of completing at least six (6) hours of continuing education provided by the National Electrical Contractors Association, the Associated Builders and Contractors, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, the

Associated General Contractors, the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, the Independent Electrical Contractors Association, the Kentucky Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction, or other provider of instruction approved by the department. The department shall promulgate administrative regulations establishing the content of the programs and the qualifications of the providers.

- (8) The department shall require, where applicable, that an applicant for renewal or reinstatement of a license submit proof that the applicant has complied with workers' compensation and unemployment insurance laws and regulations and has obtained a general liability insurance policy of not less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000).
- (9) The department may, through the promulgation of administrative regulations:
 - (a) Establish an inactive license for licensees who are not actively engaging in the electrical business but wish to maintain their license;
 - (b) Reduce license and renewal fees for inactive licensees; and
 - (c) Waive the requirements established in subsection (8) of this section for inactive licensees.