

1969 Legislative Session, Legislative Day No. 21

Council Bill No. 32

An Act to repeal Section 120A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County and to enact Sections 3.300 through 3.312 of the Howard County Code providing for the establishment of a Board of Electrical Examiners to examine and license those engaged in the electrical business in Howard County, providing for exceptions from the authority of the Board, the number of members and the manner of their appointment, their duties, rules for the transaction of their business, recommendations to the County Executive and the County Council concerning the conduct of the electrical business in Howard County; establishing rules and regulations for the electrical industry in general, and further to provide for records and penalties for violations of the law and also containing a severability clause.

Whereas, Section 120A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County, empowered the County to exercise general supervision and control over the Electrical Business in said County; to make regulations to supervise such business and to appoint an Electrical Administrative Board to administer and enforce such regulations; and

Whereas, there presently exists an Electrical Administrative Board in Howard County; and

Whereas, the County Council desires to provide for a similar Board under the authority of the Charter adopted by the voters of Howard County on November 5, 1969; and

Whereas, it is felt that an Electrical Examiners Board is necessary to protect the public welfare and safety and to promote uniform regulations concerning the electrical business in Howard County.

Section 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, That Section 120A of the Code of Public Local Laws of Howard County be and is hereby repealed.

Section 2. BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF HOWARD COUNTY, MARYLAND, That Sections 3.300, 3.301, 3.302, 3.303, 3.304, 3.305, 3.306, 3.307, 3.308, 3.309, 3.310, 3.311 and 3.312 of the Howard County Code, title "Buildings", subtitle "Electrical Business" be adopted to read as follows:

3.300—Composition of Board

The Board of Electrical Examiners shall consist of five members. Board members shall be appointed by the Executive, subject to confirmation by the Council and shall serve for overlapping terms of five years from the first day of May of the year of their appointments, or until their successors are appointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment and for the unexpired term. Members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services except reasonable and necessary expenses as may be provided in the budget. The Board shall annually select a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman, and such other officers as the Board may determine to be necessary, from its membership. The County Executive shall designate an Executive Secretary to the Board. The Executive Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Board. Two members of the Board shall either be licensed under the Electrical Regulations of Howard County, or shall be representatives of an electrical inspection