performance of its duties, and the County Attorney shall serve as counsel to the Board.

## 83-22. Reciprocity.

The Board of Electrical Examiners may certify to the Director any applicant as qualified to be licensed, without examination by the Board, if such applicant is currently licensed in another jurisdiction in the State of Maryland, the District of Columbia, or Virginia, which jurisdiction has examinations and qualification procedures which have been found by the Board to be equivalent to those required for licensing in Montgomery County, Maryland and which grants similar reciprocity to Montgomery County licensees.

## 83-23. Existing Licenses.

The Board of Electrical Examiners may renew licenses under this Chapter, without new examination, to any applicant who at the effective date of this Act held an existing Montgomery County electrical contractor's license or electrical contractor's limited license. As to existing holders of an electrical contractor's limited license, the Board may in granting or renewing a master electrician's limited license designate the particular license classification for which the licensee is qualified as provided for in Section 83-10(b).

SEC. 3. New Article III, title "Permits, Installations and Inspections," is hereby added to Chapter 83, title "Electricity," of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, to follow immediately after Article II thereof, and to read as follows:

# ARTICLE III. Permits, Installations and Inspections

#### Division 1. Permits

### 83-24. Generally.

- (a) Required. Except as provided in Section 83-10 of this Code, no electrical equipment which is subject to the provisions of this Article shall be installed until a permit therefor has been issued by the Department of Inspection and Licenses.
- (b) Application. All applications for permits shall be in writing and in such form as may be prescribed by the Department of Inspection and Licenses. All applications except those by homeowners pursuant to Section 83-16 shall be signed by a master electrician or master electrician limited. Each application shall describe the work to be done and the location thereof and shall be accompanied by such plans, specifications and schedules as shall be necessary to determine whether the installation will be in conformity with the provisions of this Article.