(D) INVESTIGATION OF QUALIFICATIONS.

THE STATE BOARD MAY INVESTIGATE THE QUALIFICATIONS OF EACH APPLICANT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE APPLICANT MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

COMMITTEE COMMENT: Subsections (a), (b)(l)(i) and (2), (c), and (d) are new language derived from former Art. 56, § 534(b), the fourth sentence of (c), and the second sentence of (d) and the second clause of § 530.

Subsection (b)(1)(ii) is new language added to accommodate the interpretation of the State Board that an applicant may apply experience gained under the supervision and direction of a master electrician employed by a governmental unit. This interpretation will allow the State Board to credit an applicant with 7 years of experience, as opposed to 3 years as required under the former law.

In subsection (a) of this section, the defined term "State license" is substituted for the former reference to "a license to engage in the business on a statewide basis", for clarity.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the defined term "provid{ing} electrical services" is substituted for the former references to "electrical construction, maintenance, installation, and repair", for clarity and brevity.

Also in subsection (b)(1) of this section, the phrase "preceding the date of the application", which formerly modified the word "years", is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (d) of this section, the power to "determine whether the applicant meets the requirements of this section" is substituted for the former phrase "including the education and experience required by subsection (b) of this section", for clarity.

Also in subsection (d) of this section, the former requirement for receipt of the application and fee before investigation is deleted as surplusage.

As to the form of the examination, see § 2-306(e) of this subtitle.

Defined terms: "Master electrician" § 2-101
"Provide electrical services" § 2-101
"State Board" § 2-101 "State license" § 2-101