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The Honorable Joseph J. Solomon, Jr., Chairman  
House Corporations Committee  
State House  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Chairman Solomon:

I write today in support of House bill 7015 introduced by Representative Fellela.

As part of our mission, the Department's Division of Professional Regulation oversees the licensure, testing, registration, and discipline of individuals and trade occupations, including the administrative and regulatory functions of seven licensing boards.

House bill 7015 would expand the scope of work needed to be conducted by licensed electrical contractors. The Department believes this legislation would help ensure the safety of those performing the work, their customers and the general public by ensuring that people working on or in electrical systems have the requisite training, experience and licensure necessary to perform the work safely and in accordance with all applicable laws, rules, regulations and codes.

Thank you for your consideration of this legislation. The Department stands ready to participate in any discussions that may occur regarding this bill. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Jason Martiesian, Assistant Director, at 462.8139 or [jason.martiesian@dlt.ri.gov](mailto:jason.martiesian@dlt.ri.gov).

Sincerely,

Matthew D. Weldon  
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cc. The Honorable Deborah A. Fellela  
House Corporations Committee members