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From: Marc <marcmarelli@gmail.com>
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To: House Corporations Committee
Subject: Bill H-7015 please read!!

Dear Representatives,

I trust this email finds you well. My name is Marc Marelli, a small business owner holding Electric Licenses in Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New Hampshire. I write to express my unwavering support for House Bill H-7015 in its current form.

Over the past two years, collective efforts have been underway to pass legislation bringing clarity to what constitutes Electrical Work by Law. H-7015 stands as a crucial step in this direction, aligning with the most cited violations at the Board of Electricians level and contributing to the ongoing enhancement of electrical safety practices.

Our profession has witnessed significant advancements in safety and technology, with state licenses playing a pivotal role in fostering education and ensuring professionals stay current through continuous education. The journey to becoming an electrician involves a rigorous four-year apprenticeship, coupled with formal education and the successful completion of a state test. This apprenticeship experience is fundamental, demanding dedication and skill development. Recognizing and valuing the expertise gained during this journey is essential, and the proposed legislation, H-7015, aligns with the commitment to uphold and respect this process, reinforcing proper procedures vital for the safety and integrity of the Electrical Industry .

Failing to support this bill would jeopardize the progress achieved over decades, potentially compromising the standards and safety we have diligently worked to establish. I understand potential objections, yet firmly believe that this bill is essential for public safety. The core issue revolves around companies seeking to hire inexpensive labor for tasks falling within the scope of an Electrician. The proposed legislation aims to ensure that such roles are reserved for qualified electricians, upholding professional standards.

I kindly request your consideration of my testimony in support of H-7015 during the hearing.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I trust that your decisions will prioritize the interests of those directly involved in the electrical trade.

Sincerely,

Marc Marelli

Westerly, Rhode Island