

**SENATE . . . . . No. 1540**

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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**In the Year Two Thousand Nine**  
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An Act relative to the qualification of inspectors of wire and assistant inspectors of wire employed by a city or town..

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 32 of chapter 166 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004  
2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new  
3 paragraphs:-

4 Every inspector of wires, deputy inspector of wires and assistant inspector of wires  
5 appointed on or after the effective date of this section shall be certified by the state board of  
6 examiners of electricians in accordance with regulations promulgated by said board.

7 Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law, act, regulation, ordinance or by-  
8 law to the contrary, all full-time or part-time inspectors of wires duly appointed and in the office  
9 on the effective date of this legislation and meeting the minimum requirement of this section for  
10 his position shall be deemed qualified and certified in the position held on said date upon  
11 satisfactory evidence of such appointment furnished to the board by a city or town clerk.

12 Said administration shall issue a certificate to all inspectors of wires and assistant  
13 inspectors of wires from continuing education requirements for maintenance of certification,  
14 which may be adopted by said board.

15 Said board shall:

16 (a) Develop requirements and promulgate regulations for the certification of inspectors  
17 of wires, assistant inspectors of wires and deputy inspectors of wires and to issue a certificate to  
18 individuals who meet the requirements.

19 (b) To prepare courses of instruction or approve courses of instruction offered by others  
20 for training persons for certification as inspectors of wires, assistant inspectors of wires and  
21 deputy inspectors of wires.

22 The board shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to require the director of said  
23 board to be in compliance with the continuing education requirement. Compliance with the  
24 continuing education requirement shall be a prerequisite for the director's continued service on  
25 the board.