

## HOUSE BILL No. 2588

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

Requested by Representative Willcott

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1 AN ACT concerning occupational licensing; relating to statewide licensure  
2 of electricians; providing for such licensing of electricians by the board  
3 of technical professions; amending K.S.A. 12-1527, 74-7003, 74-7004,  
4 74-7005, 74-7035 and 74-7040 and repealing the existing sections; also  
5 repealing K.S.A. 12-1525 and 12-1526.  
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7 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

8 New Section 1. Standard examinations for the determination of  
9 competency of electrical contractors, master electricians, journeyman  
10 electricians and residential electricians, as promulgated or administered, or  
11 both, by the international code council, the international association of  
12 plumbing and mechanical officials or prometric, a subsidiary of  
13 educational testing services in effect on July 1, 2008, are hereby  
14 designated as the standard examinations to be administered by the board of  
15 technical professions for determining the qualification of persons seeking  
16 licensure from the board as electrical contractors, master electricians,  
17 journeyman electricians and residential electricians. The board shall  
18 administer such examinations or may designate any city or county to  
19 administer such examinations as directed by the board.

20 New Sec. 2. (a) Any city or county may conduct examinations  
21 designated by section 1, and amendments thereto, if and as directed by the  
22 board of technical professions, for the purpose of determining the  
23 competency of applicants for licensure as electrical contractors or master,  
24 journeyman or residential electricians and shall not be allowed to ask  
25 further questions not designated by the board on such examination. The  
26 board shall adopt rules and regulations:

- 27 (1) Governing the conduct and grading of such examinations;
- 28 (2) prescribing a minimum score for passage of examinations that  
29 shall not be less than 75%;
- 30 (3) fixing a uniform fee to be charged all applicants taking each such  
31 examination;
- 32 (4) requiring all persons receiving such license to obtain not less than  
33 12 hours biennially or six hours annually of continuing education  
34 approved by the board. Not less than six hours biennially or three hours  
35 annually shall consist of code education. Continuing education may be

1 provided by the local governing body, a nationally recognized trade  
2 association, community college, technical school, technical college or  
3 other provider approved by the board. All hours of education shall consist  
4 of training related to construction, maintenance and code update training.  
5 The board shall not impose any restriction on the number of providers of  
6 such continuing education; and

7 (5) defining the scope of practice for electrical contractors and  
8 master, journeyman or residential electricians; and

9 (6) encouraging and facilitating entry into the profession of  
10 electrician through guidelines for safely obtaining experience through  
11 apprenticeships under the direct supervision of licensed master,  
12 journeyman or residential electricians.

13 (b) The board shall issue the appropriate license to any applicant who  
14 successfully passes an examination designated by section 1, and  
15 amendments thereto, and who demonstrates that such applicant has met the  
16 experience requirements specified in subsections (e) and (f). The board  
17 shall fix a uniform fee to be charged to all such applicants for such  
18 licensure.

19 (c) All new licenses issued by the board shall bear a distinctive  
20 notation identifying the testing agency and the specific test by name. The  
21 board may review licenses upon the basis of completed continuing  
22 education as provided by subsection (a)(4). All licenses renewed upon the  
23 basis of completed continuing education as provided by subsection (a)  
24 shall bear a distinctive notation to verify such completion. All such  
25 licenses shall be valid in any county or city.

26 (d) No person who was certified or licensed prior to July 1, 1989,  
27 upon the basis of passing of a standard examination designated as such  
28 under the provisions of article 15 of chapter 12 of the Kansas Statutes  
29 Annotated, and amendments thereto, and whose certificate or license was  
30 issued by a political subdivision that prescribed a minimum score of not  
31 less than 70% for passing such examination, shall be required to be  
32 reexamined for renewal of licensure.

33 (e) Before issuing a journeyman or residential license, the board shall  
34 verify the validity of the applicant's documented proof of a minimum of  
35 two years of field experience. "Field experience" means working under the  
36 direct supervision of a person having a valid journeyman license,  
37 residential license or master license or attending trade related schooling.  
38 Not more than one year of such requirement may be satisfied by trade-  
39 related schooling. Schooling shall consist of a minimum of 930 program  
40 hours documented by a certificate of completion.

41 (f) Before issuing a master license, the board shall verify the validity  
42 of the applicant's documented proof of having a valid journeyman license  
43 for a minimum of two years.

1       Sec. 3. K.S.A. 12-1527 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12-  
2       1527. (a) *No person shall practice as an electrical contractor, master,*  
3       *journeyman or residential electrician within the state of Kansas unless*  
4       *licensed by the board of technical professions pursuant to the provisions of*  
5       *K.S.A. 7001, et seq., and amendments thereto. Such license shall authorize*  
6       *practice within the scope of such license in every city or county within this*  
7       *state. No city or county shall require any additional licensure*  
8       *requirements or fees, nor provide for any alternative licensure or*  
9       *certification.*

10       (b) ~~Within their such city's or county's respective jurisdictions and~~  
11       subject to the provisions of K.S.A. ~~12-1526~~ 12-1527 and 74-7001 et seq.,  
12       and amendments thereto, any city or county may:

13       ~~(a) Utilize examinations other than those designated by K.S.A. 12-~~  
14       ~~1525, and amendments thereto, for the examination of electricians for~~  
15       ~~licensure to practice only within the jurisdiction of such city or county;~~

16       ~~(b)(1)~~ (1) Adopt and enforce such electrical codes, standards and  
17       regulations as the board of county commissioners or governing body of the  
18       city deem appropriate; and

19       ~~(e)(2)~~ (2) conduct such inspections and fix such reasonable fees therefor  
20       as the board of county commissioners or governing body of the city may  
21       prescribe.

22       ~~Except when authorized by reciprocal agreement between the political~~  
23       ~~subdivisions involved, licenses granted upon the basis of examinations~~  
24       ~~other than those designated by K.S.A. 12-1525, and amendments thereto,~~  
25       ~~shall not authorize an electrician to practice outside of the jurisdiction of~~  
26       ~~the city or county granting such license.~~

27       Sec. 4. K.S.A. 74-7003 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
28       7003. As used in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto:

29       (a) "Agricultural building" means any structure designed and  
30       constructed to house hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural  
31       products, or for farm storage of farming implements. Such structure shall  
32       not be a place for human habitation or a place of employment where  
33       agricultural products are processed, treated or packaged, nor shall it be a  
34       building or structure for use by the public.

35       (b) "Architect" means a person who is qualified to engage in the  
36       practice of architecture and who is licensed by the board to practice  
37       architecture as provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments  
38       thereto.

39       (c) (1) "Architecture" or "practice of architecture" means providing,  
40       offering to provide or holding oneself out as able to provide professional  
41       architectural services or performing creative work which requires  
42       architectural education, training and experience as may be required in  
43       connection with the design and construction, restoration, enlargement or

1 alteration of non-exempt public or private buildings intended for human  
2 habitation, occupancy or use, and the spaces within and the site  
3 surrounding such buildings.

4 (2) Professional architectural services include the following:  
5 Common technical services, as defined in subsection (g); pre-design and  
6 schematic design; programming; planning; preparing or providing  
7 architectural designs, drawings, specifications and other technical  
8 submissions; the design of items relating to building code requirements, as  
9 such items pertain to architecture; and the preparation of any architectural  
10 design features that are required on legal documents and those other  
11 professional architectural services as may be necessary for the rendering of  
12 services ~~which~~ *that* have the purpose of protecting the health, safety,  
13 property and welfare of the public.

14 (3) ~~The term "Architecture" or "practice of architecture" shall does~~  
15 ~~not include those services specifically identified in the definition of~~  
16 ~~"landscape architecture," "professional engineering," "professional~~  
17 ~~geology" and "professional surveying" except for those services which~~  
18 ~~that~~ *that* are included in the term "common technical services," as defined in  
19 subsection (g).

20 (d) "Board" means the state board of technical professions.

21 (e) "Building" means any permanent structure which is enclosed or  
22 partially enclosed that provides shelter for human habitation.

23 (f) "Business entity" means a general corporation, professional  
24 corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,  
25 corporate partnership or other legal entity created by law.

26 (g) "Common technical services" means those services which may be  
27 offered or performed by any licensee, are performed within the licensee's  
28 defined scope of practice and are further described as follows:

29 (1) Representation of clients in connection with contracts entered into  
30 between clients and others;

31 (2) coordination of elements of technical submissions prepared by the  
32 licensee's consultants;

33 (3) administration of contracts for construction;

34 (4) observation of construction for general conformance with  
35 requirements of approved construction documents or technical  
36 submissions prepared by a licensee;

37 (5) performing acts of consultation and technical investigation;

38 (6) providing expert technical testimony or testimony evaluation;

39 (7) performing technical evaluations and research;

40 (8) teaching in a college or university offering an accredited technical  
41 professional curriculum recognized by the board;

42 (9) providing responsible supervision of these services, insofar as  
43 such services involve safeguarding the health, safety, property and welfare

1 of the public; and

2 (10) preparing and providing drawings, specifications and other  
3 technical submissions.

4 (h) "Construction administration" means the provision of technical  
5 professional services during construction by licensees, or persons under  
6 the licensee's responsible supervision, which act to confirm substantial  
7 compliance with the requirements and provisions of applicable technical  
8 documents prepared by the licensee or under the licensee's responsible  
9 supervision. Such technical professional services include, but are not  
10 limited to: Assisting with bidding or negotiation processes; reviewing and  
11 acting upon shop drawings and other submittals; providing clarification or  
12 interpretation of the licensee's technical documents; evaluating general  
13 progress of construction; observing or evaluating completed construction;  
14 and assisting the client in matters related to the licensee's technical  
15 professional expertise. Construction administration services do not include  
16 management of, or responsibility for, the contractor's construction  
17 activities, means or methods.

18 (i) *"Electrician," generally, or "electrical contractor," "master*  
19 *electrician," "journeyman electrician" or "residential electrician,"*  
20 *specifically, means a person who is qualified to engage in the practice of*  
21 *an electrical contractor, master electrician, journeyman electrician or*  
22 *residential electrician, respectively, and licensed by the board to practice*  
23 *such respective profession and perform the respective electrical work as*  
24 *provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto.*

25 (j) *"Electrical work" or "practice as an electrician" means providing,*  
26 *offering to provide or representing oneself as able to provide professional*  
27 *electrician services as an electrical contractor, master electrician,*  
28 *journeyman electrician or residential electrician.*

29 (k) "Government client" means any state, county or municipal  
30 governmental entity, including, but not limited to, any department, agency,  
31 authority, planning district, board, commission, office or institution  
32 thereof, and any school district, college, university and any individual  
33 acting under authority to represent any such governmental entity.

34 ~~(j)~~(l) "Landscape architect" means a person who is qualified to  
35 engage in the practice of landscape architecture and who is licensed by the  
36 board to practice landscape architecture as provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et  
37 seq., and amendments thereto.

38 ~~(k)~~(m) (1) "Landscape architecture" or "practice of landscape  
39 architecture" means performing professional landscape architectural  
40 services, including the following: Common technical services, as defined  
41 in subsection (g); consultation, planning, designing or responsible  
42 supervision in connection with the development of land areas for  
43 preservation and enhancement; the development of sustainable designs and

1 technology; preparation, review and analysis of master plans for land use  
2 and development; production of overall site development and land  
3 enhancement plans, grading and drainage plans, irrigation plans, planting  
4 plans and construction details; specifications, cost analysis and reports for  
5 land development; and the designing of land forms and non-habitable  
6 structures for aesthetic and functional purposes, such as pools, walls and  
7 structures for outdoor living spaces, for public and private use. The  
8 practice of landscape architecture also encompasses the determination of  
9 proper land use as it pertains to: Natural features; ground cover, use,  
10 nomenclature and arrangement of plant material adapted to soils and  
11 climate; naturalistic and aesthetic values; settings and approaches to  
12 structures and other improvements; soil conservation; erosion control; and  
13 the development of outdoor space in accordance with ideals of human use  
14 and enjoyment.

15 (2) ~~The term~~ "Landscape architecture" or "practice of landscape  
16 architecture" ~~shall~~ *does not include those services specifically identified in*  
17 *the definition of "architecture," "professional engineering," "professional*  
18 *geology" and "professional surveying" except for those services which*  
19 *that are included in the term "common technical services," as defined in*  
20 *subsection (g).*

21 ~~(n)~~ "License" means a license to practice the technical professions  
22 granted under K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto.

23 ~~(o)~~ "Person" means a natural person or business entity.

24 ~~(p)~~ "Principal" means a person who serves in a business entity as  
25 an officer, member of a board of directors, member of a limited liability  
26 company or partner.

27 ~~(q)~~ "Professional engineer" means a person who is qualified to  
28 engage in the practice of engineering and who is licensed by the board to  
29 practice engineering as provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and  
30 amendments thereto.

31 ~~(r)~~ (1) "Professional engineering" or "practice of engineering"  
32 means providing, offering to provide, or holding oneself out as able to  
33 provide professional engineering services, the adequate performance of  
34 which requires engineering education, training and experience in the  
35 application of special knowledge of the mathematical, physical and  
36 engineering sciences, including the following: Common technical services,  
37 as defined in subsection (g); consulting, investigating, evaluating, planning  
38 and designing of engineering works and systems; producing engineering  
39 surveys and studies; and preparing any engineering design features which  
40 embrace such service or work, either public or private, for any utilities,  
41 structures, buildings, machines, equipment, processes, work systems,  
42 projects and industrial or consumer products or equipment of a  
43 mechanical, electrical, hydraulic, pneumatic or thermal nature, insofar as

1 they involve safeguarding the health, safety, property or welfare of the  
2 public.

3 (2) As used in this subsection, ~~the term~~ "engineering surveys"  
4 includes all survey activities required to support the sound conception,  
5 planning, design, construction, maintenance and operation of engineered  
6 projects, but excludes the surveying of real property for the establishment  
7 of land boundaries, rights-of-way, easements and the dependent or  
8 independent surveys or resurveys of the public land survey system.

9 (3) ~~The term~~ "Professional engineering" or "practice of professional  
10 engineering" ~~shall does not include those services specifically identified in~~  
11 the definition of "architecture," "landscape architecture," "professional  
12 geology" and "professional surveying" ~~except for those services which~~  
13 *that* are included in the term "common technical services," as defined in  
14 subsection (g).

15 ~~(+)(s)~~ "Professional geologist" means a person who is qualified to  
16 engage in the practice of geology and who is licensed by the board to  
17 practice geology as provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments  
18 thereto.

19 ~~(+)(t)~~ (1) "Professional geology" or "practice of professional geology"  
20 means the performing of professional geology services, including the  
21 following: Common technical services, as defined in subsection (g);  
22 planning or mapping, providing observation, or the responsible  
23 supervision thereof, in connection with the treatment of the earth and its  
24 origin and history, in general; the investigation of the earth's constituent  
25 rocks, minerals, solids, fluids, including surface and underground waters,  
26 gases and other materials; and the study of the natural agents, forces and  
27 processes which cause changes in the earth.

28 (2) ~~The term~~ "Professional geology" or "practice of professional  
29 geology" ~~shall does not include those services specifically identified in the~~  
30 definition of "architecture," "landscape architecture," "professional  
31 engineering" and "professional surveying" ~~except for those services which~~  
32 *that* are included in the term "common technical services," as defined in  
33 subsection (g).

34 ~~(s)(u)~~ "Professional surveyor" means any person who is engaged in  
35 the practice of surveying and who is licensed by the board to practice  
36 surveying as provided in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto.

37 ~~(+)(v)~~ (1) "Professional surveying" or "practice of professional  
38 surveying" means providing, or offering to provide, professional surveying  
39 services, including the following: Common technical services, as defined  
40 in subsection (g); using such sciences as mathematics, geodesy and  
41 photogrammetry; and involving the making of geometric measurements  
42 and gathering related information pertaining to the physical or legal  
43 features of the earth, improvements on the earth, the space above, on or

1 below the earth and providing, utilizing or developing the same into  
2 survey products such as graphics, data, maps, plans, reports, descriptions  
3 or projects. "Professional surveying services" also—~~include~~ *includes*  
4 planning, mapping, assembling and interpreting gathered measurements  
5 and information related to any one or more of the following:

6 (A) Determining by measurement the configuration or contour of the  
7 earth's surface or the position of fixed objects thereon;

8 (B) determining by performing geodetic surveys the size and shape of  
9 the earth or the position of any point on the earth;

10 (C) locating, relocating, establishing, re-establishing or retracing  
11 property lines or boundaries of any tract of land, road, right-of-way or  
12 easement;

13 (D) preparing the original descriptions of real property for the  
14 conveyance of or recording thereof and the preparation of graphics, data,  
15 maps, plans, reports, land subdivision plats, descriptions and projects that  
16 represent these surveys;

17 (E) determining, by the use of principles of surveying, the position  
18 for any survey monument, whether boundary or non-boundary, or  
19 reference point and establishing or replacing any such monument or  
20 reference point;

21 (F) making any survey for the division, subdivision or consolidation  
22 of any tract of land;

23 (G) locating or laying out alignments, positions or elevations where  
24 such work is part of the construction of engineering or architectural works;  
25 and

26 (H) creating, preparing or modifying electronic, computerized or  
27 other data relative to performance of the activities set forth in  
28 subparagraphs (A) through (G).

29 (2) ~~The term~~ "Professional surveying" or "practice of professional  
30 surveying" ~~shall~~ *does* not include those services specifically identified in  
31 the definition of "architecture," "landscape architecture," "professional  
32 engineering" and "professional geology" except ~~for those services which~~  
33 *that* are included in the term "common technical services," as defined in  
34 subsection (g).

35 ~~(w)~~ (w) "Responsible charge" means the application of personal  
36 supervision and professional judgment, and the incorporation of detailed  
37 knowledge with respect to the content of a technical submission by a  
38 licensee when applying the normal standard of care for the work that such  
39 licensee is licensed to perform.

40 ~~(x)~~ (x) "Standard of care" means the duty to exercise the degree of  
41 learning and skill ordinarily possessed by a reputable licensee practicing in  
42 Kansas in the same or similar locality and under similar circumstances.

43 ~~(y)~~ (y) "Technical professions" includes the professions of



1 architecture, landscape architecture, professional engineering, professional  
2 geology and professional surveying as the practice of such professions are  
3 defined in K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto.

4 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 74-7004 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
5 7004. (a) For the purpose of administering the provisions of this act and in  
6 order to establish and maintain a high standard of integrity, skills and  
7 practice in the technical professions and to safeguard the health, safety,  
8 property and welfare of the public, the governor shall appoint a state board  
9 of technical professions consisting of 13 members. At least 30 days prior  
10 to the expiration of any term other than that of a member appointed from  
11 the general public, professional societies and associations ~~which~~ *that* are  
12 respectively representative of each branch of the technical professions may  
13 submit to the governor a list of three or more names of persons of  
14 recognized ability who have the qualifications prescribed for board  
15 members for appointment from ~~that~~ *such* branch of the technical  
16 professions. The governor shall consider ~~the~~ *such* list of persons in making  
17 the appointment to the board. In case of a vacancy in the membership of  
18 the board, other than that of a member appointed from the general public,  
19 for any reason other than the expiration of a term of office, the governor  
20 shall appoint a qualified successor to fill the unexpired term. In making the  
21 appointment, the governor shall give consideration to the list of persons  
22 last submitted.

23 (b) *Within 30 days of July 1, 2026, professional societies and*  
24 *associations that are representative of electrical contractors or master,*  
25 *journeyman or residential electricians may submit to the governor a list of*  
26 *six or more names of persons of recognized ability who have the*  
27 *qualifications prescribed for such board members for appointment. The*  
28 *governor shall consider such list of persons in making appointments to the*  
29 *board to fulfill the two board memberships of persons engaged in practice*  
30 *as electricians as provided by K.S.A. 74-7005, and amendments thereto.*  
31 *Following the first appointments, such members shall be appointed*  
32 *pursuant to to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-7001, et seq., and amendments*  
33 *thereto.*

34 Sec. 6. K.S.A. 74-7005 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
35 7005. (a) Membership of the board shall be as follows:

36 (1) Four members shall have been engaged in the practice of  
37 engineering for at least eight years, which practice shall include  
38 responsible charge of engineering work, and shall be Kansas licensed  
39 professional engineers. At least one of such members shall be engaged in  
40 private practice as an engineer. At least one of such members may also be  
41 licensed as a Kansas professional surveyor, as well as a Kansas licensed  
42 professional engineer.

43 (2) Two members shall have been engaged in the practice of

1 surveying for at least eight years, which practice shall include responsible  
2 charge of surveying work, and shall be Kansas licensed professional  
3 surveyors.

4 (3) Three members shall have been engaged in the practice of  
5 architecture for at least eight years, which practice shall include  
6 responsible charge of architectural work, and shall be Kansas licensed  
7 architects.

8 (4) One member shall have been engaged in the practice of landscape  
9 architecture for at least eight years, which practice shall include  
10 responsible charge of landscape architectural work, and shall be a Kansas  
11 licensed landscape architect.

12 (5) One member shall have been engaged in the practice of geology  
13 for at least eight years, which practice shall include responsible charge of  
14 geology work, and shall be a Kansas licensed professional geologist.

15 (6) Two members shall be from the general public of this state.

16 (7) *Two members shall have been engaged in practice as electricians  
17 for at least eight years, which practice shall include responsible charge of  
18 electrician work, and shall be Kansas licensed electricians.*

19 (b) Each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States  
20 and a resident of this state.

21 (c) Any amendments to this section shall not be applicable to any  
22 member of the board who was appointed to the board and qualified for  
23 such appointment under this section prior to the effective date of such  
24 enactment.

25 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 74-7035 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
26 7035. The provisions of K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto,  
27 shall not apply to:

28 (a) The work of an employee, consultant or a subordinate of a person  
29 holding a license under K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and amendments thereto, if  
30 such work does not include final designs or decisions, responsible charge  
31 of design and is done under the direct responsibility and supervision of a  
32 person practicing lawfully a technical profession *or, except as otherwise*  
33 *provided pursuant to the provisions of K.S.A. 74-7001 et seq., and*  
34 *amendments thereto, work of an apprentice of a licensed journeyman,*  
35 *master or residential electrician, if such work is done under the direct*  
36 *responsibility and supervision of a licensed journeyman, master or*  
37 *residential electrician;*

38 (b) the work of any person who is exclusively and regularly  
39 employed by a single employer, ~~provided if~~, such employer is not an  
40 engineering, architectural, surveying, landscape architectural ~~or~~, geology  
41 firm; *or electrical contractor* and is not primarily engaged in the business  
42 of conveying an interest in real property; ~~and also provided~~, such work is  
43 performed under an employer-employee relationship; and making surveys

1 of land and determinations of physical property rights is performed solely  
2 in connection with the affairs of such employer or its subsidiaries and  
3 affiliates and solely for the uses, purposes and benefit of such employer,  
4 subsidiaries and affiliates; *or*

5 (c) a plumbing contractor, master plumber or journeyman plumber  
6 licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 12-1508 et seq., and amendments  
7 thereto, while performing the work *that* such plumber is authorized to  
8 perform pursuant to such license; ~~or.~~

9 ~~(d) an electrical contractor, master electrician, journeyman electrician~~  
10 ~~or residential electrician licensed under the provisions of K.S.A. 12-1525~~  
11 ~~et seq., and amendments thereto, while performing the work such~~  
12 ~~electrician is authorized to perform pursuant to such license.~~

13 (e) For purposes of this act, public officers and employees who,  
14 within the scope of their employment and in the discharge of their public  
15 duties, provide information pertinent to or review the sufficiency of  
16 technical submissions, or who inspect property or buildings for  
17 compliance with requirements safeguarding life, health or property, are not  
18 engaged in the practice of the technical professions.

19 Sec. 8. K.S.A. 74-7040 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-  
20 7040. Any person licensed to practice the technical professions in the state  
21 of Kansas at the time *that* this act takes effect *or any person licensed to*  
22 *practice as an electrical contractor, master electrician, journeyman*  
23 *electrician or residential electrician on July 1, 2026*, shall thereafter  
24 continue to possess the same rights and privileges with respect to the  
25 practice of the technical profession for which such person is licensed, in  
26 accordance with the current definition of the practice of such technical  
27 profession, without being required to obtain a new license under the  
28 provisions of this act, subject to the power of the board as provided in this  
29 act to suspend or revoke the license of any such person for any of the  
30 causes set forth in K.S.A. 74-7026, and amendments thereto, and subject  
31 to the power of the board to require any such person to renew such license  
32 as provided in K.S.A. 74-7025, and amendments thereto.

33 Sec. 9. K.S.A. 12-1525, 12-1526, 12-1527, 74-7003, 74-7004, 74-  
34 7005, 74-7035 and 74-7040 are hereby repealed.

35 Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
36 publication in the statute book.