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Senate Bill 1279 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Arlan Meekhof  
Committee: Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Electrical Administrative Act to make exceptions to the Act's licensure requirement for both of the following:

- The installation, repair, or renovation of wiring at property or a facility of a person engaged in manufacturing or mining operations, by an employee or agent.
- Equipment installation, alteration, or maintenance and associated wiring for the generation and distribution of electricity at a facility owned and operated by an independent power producer, by an employee or agent.

Subject to a number of exceptions, the Act prohibits an individual from executing any electrical wiring unless he or she is licensed under the Act, and is employed by or working under the direction of a licensed electrical contractor.

The bill would add an exception for the installation, alteration, maintenance, repair, or renovation of electrical wiring at or in a property, business location, plant, factory, or facility of a person engaged in manufacturing or mining operations, by an employee or agent of that person, if both of the following conditions were met:

- The person employed or engaged a licensed electrician who was designated as responsible for code compliance at the property, and who was authorized and responsible for obtaining any permits required for the wiring.
- The person gave the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs written notice of the licensed electrician designated as responsible for code compliance.

The bill also would make an exception to the licensure requirement for the installation, alteration, maintenance, or repair of equipment and its associated wiring for the generation or distribution of electricity at a facility owned and operated by an independent power producer by an employee or agent of that producer.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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