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House Bill 5900 (Substitute H-2 as reported with amendment)
Sponsor: Representative David Robertson
House Committee: Commerce
Senate Committee: Economic Development, Small Business and Regulatory Reform

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Electrical Administrative Act to do the following:

- Require the Department of Labor and Economic Growth (DLEG) to issue an initial or renewal license for an electrical contractor, fire alarm contractor, or sign specialty contractor within 90 days after an applicant filed a "completed application" (as defined in the bill).
- Require DLEG to notify the applicant of a deficiency in writing, or make the information electronically available, within 30 days after receiving an incomplete application.
- Toll the 90-day period if DLEG sent notice of a deficiency, until it received the requested information.
- Require DLEG to return the license fee and reduce the fee by 15% for the applicant's next renewal application, if any, if it failed to meet the deadline.
- Require the DLEG Director, beginning in 2005, to report annually by December 1 to the appropriate Senate and House committees regarding its compliance with these provisions.

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FISCAL IMPACT

According to the Department of Labor and Economic Growth, the total amount of revenue collected for initial and renewal electrical, sign, and fire alarm contractor licenses was \$605,900 in FY 2002-03. The amount by which this revenue would be reduced would depend on the number of licenses not processed in the given time frame. The bill also would require a report that would include new or additional information not currently collected. The database adjustment required to accommodate this requirement could increase information technology costs.

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