



ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4654 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment) House Bill 4655 (Substitute H-1 as reported without amendment)

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CONTENT

House Bills 4654 (H-1) and 4655 (H-1) would amend the Skilled Trades Regulation Act and the Single State Construction Code Act, respectively, to make exceptions to permitting requirements for the installation, maintenance, replacement, or servicing of electrical wiring, equipment, or devices associated with a business monitoring system.

Both bills would define "business monitoring system" as a device or an assembly of equipment and devices, less than 50 volts, that allows a business to remotely monitor its business premises through audio, video, or sensor detection systems. A business monitoring system would not include a fire alarm system or a life safety system designed to protect and evacuate building occupants in the event of emergencies such as fire, smoke, or power outages.

Article 7 of the Skilled Trades Regulation Act governs electricians and electrical contractors. Article 7 does not apply within a municipality with an ordinance that provides licensure standards at least as stringent as those in Article 7 and meets other criteria. However, the ordinance may not require a provider to procure a permit to install, maintain, replace, or service any electrical wiring, equipment, or devices associated with a home monitoring system. Under House Bill 4654 (H-1), the ordinance also could not require a provider to procure a permit to install, maintain, replace, or service any electrical wiring, equipment, or devices associated with a business home monitoring system.

The Single State Construction Code Act states that a permit is not required under the Act or the State Construction Code for the installation, maintenance, replacement, or servicing of any electrical wiring, equipment, or devices related to or associated with a home monitoring system if performed by a provider. Under House Bill 4655 (H-1), a permit also would not be required for the installation, maintenance, replacement, or servicing of any electrical wiring, equipment, or devices related to or associated with a business monitoring system if performed by a provider.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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