SKILLED TRADES REGULATION ACT (EXCERPT) Act 407 of 2016

339.5733 Applicability of article to municipality; definitions.

- Sec. 733. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, this article does not apply in the jurisdiction of a municipality that adopts or has adopted an ordinance that does all of the following:
- (a) Provides standards for the examination and licensing of master electricians, electrical or specialty contractors, electrical journeymen, sign specialists, and fire alarm specialty technicians and the registration of apprentice electricians and fire alarm specialty apprentice technicians that are at least as stringent as those established in this article.
 - (b) Provides for enforcement that is substantially similar to this article.
- (c) Provides for civil and criminal penalties and a citation system for minor violations substantially similar to article 5.
 - (d) Provides for the inspection of electrical wiring and equipment.
- (2) This article shall not be construed as limiting the power of a municipality to enact an ordinance described in subsection (1), to provide for the licensing of persons as electrical or specialty contractors that have a place of business located in the municipality, or to provide for the licensing of journeymen electricians, sign specialists, or fire alarm specialty technicians who reside in the municipality, except that the ordinance shall not require any of the following:
- (a) The procurement of a license or permit to execute any class of work specified in section 737(3)(c), (d), (e), or (f).
- (b) The procurement of a permit by a provider to install, maintain, replace, or service any electrical wiring, equipment, or devices associated with a business monitoring system, a home monitoring system, or a low-voltage electric fence.
- (c) The procurement of a license or permit by a provider to install, maintain, replace, or service a security alarm system.
 - (d) The procurement of public liability insurance in excess of the coverage required under this article.
- (e) That an individual be licensed with, register with, or obtain the approval of the municipality or of the municipality's licensing board to participate in an apprenticeship or training program.
- (3) A license or registration issued by the board under this article and licenses issued by a municipality that has standards for licensing at least as stringent as those established by the board shall be recognized by all municipalities.
- (4) A municipality that provides for electrical inspection by local ordinance may require all electrical or specialty contractors, sign specialists, fire alarm specialty technicians, and classes of electricians doing work in the municipality to register in accordance with its local ordinance.
- (5) Municipal registration requirements shall be reciprocal between the municipalities and between municipalities and the board as to registration requirements and fees, except that licensed electrical journeymen, sign specialists, and fire alarm specialty technicians are not required to register to work in municipalities under the jurisdiction of the board. A municipality shall officially recognize a license or registration issued under this article for purposes of its ordinance.
 - (6) As used in this section:
- (a) "Business monitoring system" means 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 does 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.
- (b) "Home monitoring system" means a device or an assembly of equipment and devices that allows individuals to remotely monitor their home through audio, video, or sensor detection systems and that may allow them to remotely control the home's environment, including, but not limited to, controlling temperature, humidity, lighting, doors, or locks.
- (c) "Low-voltage electric fence" means an alarm system that consists of a fence structure and an energizer that produces an electric charge on contact with the fence structure and meets all of the following:
 - (i) The low-voltage electric fence is installed in a location that is zoned for nonresidential use.
 - (ii) The energizer is powered by a commercial storage battery that does not exceed 12 volts.
- (*iii*) The electric charge produced by the low-voltage electric fence upon contact does not exceed energizer characteristics set forth in paragraph 22.108 and depicted in figure 102 of international electrotechnical commission standard, IEC 60335-2-76, current edition.
- (d) "Provider" means a system provider that is registered under the security alarm systems act, 2012 PA Rendered Monday, July 7, 2025

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- 580, MCL 338.2181 to 338.2187, or a security alarm system contractor that is licensed under the private security business and security alarm act, 1968 PA 330, MCL 338.1051 to 338.1092.
- (e) "Security alarm system" means that term as defined in section 2 of the security alarm systems act, 2012 PA 580, MCL 338.2182, or section 2 of the private security business and security alarm act, 1968 PA 330, MCL 338.1052.

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