

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS

CHAPTER 282

S. B. No. 175

(Kieley, Welander, Kusler and Sayer)

LICENSING AND REGULATION OF ELECTRICIANS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact sections 43-0909, 43-0910 and 43-0919 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 and sections 43-0901, 43-0902, 43-0911, 43-0913, 43-0914 and 43-0920 of the 1953 Supplement thereto, relating to electricians.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. **Amendment.)** Section 43-0901 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0901. Definitions.) In this chapter, unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires:

1. "Master electrician" shall mean a person having the necessary qualifications, training, experience, and technical knowledge to plan, lay out, and supervise the installation and repair of electrical wiring apparatus, and equipment for electric light, heat, and power in accordance with the standard rules and regulations governing such work;
2. "Journeyman electrician" shall mean a person having the necessary qualifications, training, and technical knowledge to wire, install, and repair electrical apparatus and equipment in accordance with the standard rules and regulations governing such work;
3. "Class B electrician" shall mean a person having the necessary qualifications, training, and technical knowledge to wire, install, and repair electrical apparatus and equipment in accordance with the standard rules and regulations governing such work, and shall have eighteen months actual experience in farmstead wiring, and shall have passed an examination before the state electrical board based upon the national R.E.A. electrical wiring code as it applies to farmstead wiring;
4. "Board" shall mean the state electrical board.

§ 2. **Amendment.)** Section 43-0902 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0902. State Electrical Board: Members: Terms of Office: Vacancies.) The state electrical board shall consist of five members appointed by the governor for a term of five years with their terms of office so arranged that one term and only one term shall expire on June thirtieth of each year. One member of the board shall be a farmer. One member of the board shall be selected from three names submitted by each of the following groups: consumer members of rural electric cooperatives, master licensed electricians, licensed journeyman electricians, bona fide linemen, presently working as such, employed by electric utilities. A member of the board shall qualify by taking the oath of office required of civil officers and shall hold his office until his successor is appointed and qualified. The governor shall fill any vacancy by appointment for the unexpired term of office.

§ 3. **Amendment.)** Section 43-0909 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0909. License Required: Examination; Board To Issue License.) Every person, partnership, company, corporation, or association that undertakes or offers to undertake with another to plan, lay out, supervise, install, make additions, make alterations, or make repairs, in the installation of wiring, apparatus, or equipment for electric light, heat, or power, shall apply to the board for a license. The board shall examine the applicant and if, upon a technical and practical examination, he is found to possess the required knowledge and skill and to be versed in the laws of electricity, he shall be issued a license in the class for which he was examined. The license shall be signed by the president and the secretary of the board and attested by the seal of the board. Each licensee or permit holder shall report his licensing or renewals to the electrical inspector, if there is one, in the municipality in which he operates.

§ 4. **Amendment.)** Section 43-0910 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0910. Licenses: Types of.) The classes of electricians who may be licensed under section 43-0909 shall be:

1. Master electrician;
2. Journeyman electrician;
3. Class B electrician.

§ 5. Amendment.) Section 43-0911 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0911. Qualifications As To Experience.) An applicant for an electrician's license shall have the following experience:

1. Master electrician, one year's experience as a licensed journeyman electrician;
2. Journeyman electrician, three years' experience in installing and repairing electrical wiring, apparatus, and equipment;
3. Class B electrician, eighteen months' experience in farmstead wiring;

§ 6. Amendment.) Section 43-0913 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0913. License Fees.) The following shall be the examination and annual license fees required to be paid for an electrician's license:

1. Master electrician: examination fee, twenty-five dollars, annual license fee twenty-five dollars;
2. Journeyman electrician: examination fee, ten dollars, annual license fee, ten dollars;
3. Class B electrician: examination fee, ten dollars, annual license fee, ten dollars;

§ 7. Amendment.) Section 43-0914 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0914. Master Electrician and Class B Electrician: Bond.) Before receiving a license as a master electrician or as a class B electrician, an applicant shall execute and deposit with the board a surety bond in the sum of two thousand dollars for a master electrician or one thousand dollars for a class B electrician conditioned for the faithful performance of all electrical work undertaken by him and the strict compliance with all the provisions of this chapter and the requirements of the board. In cities requiring a bond by virtue of a city ordinance, such bond shall not be superseded by the bond required by this section.

§ 8. Amendment.) Section 43-0919 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0919. Report of Work Done By Licensee.) Every person licensed under the provisions of this chapter and doing electrical work shall report the same to the secretary of the board upon blanks furnished by the board for that purpose.

§ 9. Amendment.) Section 43-0920 of the 1953 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-0920. Contract For Installation of Electrical Wiring and Installation of Electrical Equipment Made With Master Electrician.) No contract, agreement, or undertaking with another for the installation of electrical wiring or the installation of electrical parts of other apparatus shall be entered into by anyone not a master electrician. Provided, however, that a class B electrician, as herein defined, is authorized to enter into a contract, undertaking or agreement for the installation of farmstead electrical wiring or residential electrical wiring in one or two family dwellings located in municipalities of two thousand five hundred or less population, and his authority under the contract, undertaking or agreement is limited to the actual installation by him of farmstead electrical wiring or residential electrical wiring in one or two family dwellings located in municipalities of two thousand five hundred or less population, and the installation of electrical equipment, appliances and apparatus used on farmsteads and such residences.

Approved March 9, 1955.

CHAPTER 283

H. B. No. 661

(Haugland, Solberg, Nygaard, Saumur and Schuler)

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NURSES

AN ACT

To provide for nurse preparation scholarships for qualified residents of North Dakota who express an intent to prepare for nursing; designating the state board to administer the provisions of this Act; and making an appropriation.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Definitions.) In this Act, unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires:

1. "State board" shall mean the North Dakota state board of nursing education and nurse licensure and advisory committee hereinafter provided for;

2. "Student nurse" is a young man or woman who has met all the requirements for enrollment in an approved school of nursing;
3. "Practical nurse student" shall mean one who has met all the requirements for enrollment in an approved course for practical nursing;
4. "Professional graduate nurse" shall mean one who has met all the legal requirements for licensure in this state and has been registered by the state board, who practices or holds a position by virtue of her professional knowledge and legal status, and who holds a certificate of licensure from the state board for the current year.

§ 2. Advisory Committee.) There shall be an advisory committee composed of three members, to be designated by the North Dakota nurse enrollment committee. This advisory committee shall assist the state board in awarding scholarships.

§ 3. Duties Of The State Board.)

1. The state board may grant scholarships to students attending a school of nursing in accordance with the laws pertaining to registration of nurses; to licensing of practical nurses; and to professional graduate nurses meeting requirements for advanced study.
2. Make rules and regulations and establish standards, requirements and procedure in administering this Act so as to encourage young men and women to enter the nursing profession.

§ 4. Qualifications Of Candidates.) A person shall not be selected as a candidate for a scholarship unless such applicant be at least eighteen years of age. In selecting candidates for scholarships, consideration shall be given to:

1. Adaptability to nursing,
2. Health,
3. Character,
4. Personal-social characteristics,
5. Record of level of achievement, and
6. Capacity and willingness upon graduation to nurse in a hospital or institution in North Dakota for one year.

§ 5. Use Of Scholarship.) These scholarships shall be used, first, to pay the tuition and other institutional fees and expenses of the recipient incidental to such nursing education; second, to defray the cost of books and equipment needed by the recipient in pursuit of studies and, third, for partial sub-

sistence of the recipient through facilities operated by the school or college. Scholarships shall be awarded only to students enrolled in an accredited school of nursing; to students enrolled in an approved course for practical nurses; and to professional graduate nurses enrolled in a college or university. Any facilities of the school designed to aid in securing part-time employment for students, to help defray costs of their education shall be made available to a recipient of a scholarship on an equal basis with other students enrolled. Scholarship holders may not continue to hold the scholarship unless they maintain a satisfactory grade average as set by the state board.

§ 6. Scholarship Payments: Notes Required; Conditions; Scholarship Continued.)

1. No student nurse shall receive a scholarship of more than five hundred dollars. Three-fifths of the scholarship shall be available to the student in the first year of the course, and the remainder thereof shall be divided equally between the two remaining years of the course.
2. The practical nurse scholarship shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars and shall be available to the student upon enrollment in the course.
3. The fund shall provide for scholarships for professional graduate nurses desiring to take advanced courses in nursing education which further qualifies applicant for a position or leads to a baccalaureate or higher degrees. After one year of such advanced study the recipient shall be required to return to North Dakota for a position to be held for at least one year. The professional graduate nurse shall receive a scholarship not to exceed one thousand two hundred fifty dollars for advanced study in a college or university which may lead to a degree. The scholarship shall be allotted according to rules and regulations adopted by the state board.
4. Each scholarship recipient shall sign and execute notes to the state treasurer, endorsed by a responsible adult for the amount of such scholarship. The state board shall certify to the state auditor the name of each recipient of a scholarship. The auditor shall issue his warrant to the state treasurer who shall pay the amount of the scholarship through the secretary of the school or college in which the recipient is enrolled.
5. The notes of scholarship recipients shall bear interest at the rate of three percent per annum and shall become due and payable with accrued interest upon demand.

§ 7. Collection And Cancellation.)

1. A rate of six percent per annum will be charged on any portion of the scholarship not repaid upon demand of the state board.
2. If any nurse student scholarship recipient, before the notes provided in this Act have been called for payment, has satisfactorily completed the required basic course in nursing and has satisfactorily completed a full year of nursing in North Dakota the notes and accrued interest shall be canceled.
3. For the practical nurse student scholarship recipient the note shall bear interest at the rate of three percent per annum and shall become due and payable with accrued interest at the expiration of the two year period. Upon the fulfillment of the requirements herein set forth the note and accrued interest shall be canceled.
4. The note of the professional graduate nurse shall bear interest at the rate of three percent per annum. Upon the fulfillment of the requirements herein set forth the note with accrued interest shall be canceled.
5. Upon satisfactory proof of the requirements herein set forth, the board shall notify the state treasurer to cancel the notes.

Whenever less than a full year of nursing has been completed the notes may be canceled in the order of execution corresponding with the months of nursing which are completed. In the event of death or total disability of the recipient the notes and accrued interest shall be canceled.

§ 8. Appropriation.) There is hereby appropriated out of the equalization fund the sum of twenty-six thousand dollars or whatever portion may be necessary for the purpose of paying nursing preparation scholarships in an amount not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars; for the administration of this Act not to exceed one thousand dollars.

Approved March 10, 1955.

CHAPTER 284

H. B. No. 688
(Poling and Gefreh)

REGULATION OF OPTOMETRISTS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact sections 43-1301, 43-1307, 43-1308, 43-1317 and 43-1320 relating to Optometrists.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. Amendment.) Section 43-1301 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-1301. Definitions.) In this chapter, unless the context or subject matter otherwise requires:

1. Optometry shall be defined as a profession whose practitioners are engaged in the refraction of the human eye and the examination thereof, together with its appendages, without the use of drugs, medicines or surgery; by using such objective or subjective techniques as are necessary to enable recognition of disease for medical referral; and to determine and interpret any visual, muscular, neurological or anatomical anomaly of the eye, which may be aided, relieved or corrected through visual training procedures or through the use of lenses, prisms, filters, or combination thereof held either in contact with the eye, or in frames or mountings. Any person so engaged in visual training procedures or who employs or prescribes lenses, prisms, filters, or combinations thereof held either in contact with the eye, or in frames or mountings, to aid, relieve or correct any visual anomaly, or holds himself out as being able to do so, shall be deemed to be engaged in the practice of optometry and must have a certificate of registration, as herein provided by this Act.
2. The word "board" shall mean the North Dakota state board of optometry;

§ 2. Amendment.) Section 43-1307 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-1307. Compensation and Expenses of Members of Board.) Each member of the board shall receive ten dollars

as compensation for each day he actually is engaged in performing the duties of his office, and such mileage and travel expenses as are provided for in section 54-0609, and additional allowance for other necessary expenses incurred in attending said meeting not to exceed five dollars per day. Moneys collected for the board under the provisions of this chapter shall be kept by the secretary and disbursed only on warrants signed by the president and the secretary. At the end of his term, the secretary shall account to his successor for any money remaining in his hands.

§ 3. Amendment.) Section 43-1308 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-1308. Secretary of Board: Compensation.) The secretary of the board shall receive for clerical expenses and services such compensation and allowance as the board may deem just and proper, not to exceed two dollars for each certificate or license issued or renewed.

§ 4. Amendment.) Section 43-1317 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-1317. Application For Examination: Contents: Educational Requirements: Fee For Examination.) Any person desiring to take the examination for a certificate of registration to practice optometry in this state shall file with the secretary of the board, at least five days before the date of the examination, a written application for examination. The application shall be accompanied by the affidavits of two freeholders of this state to the effect that the applicant is of good moral character. The applicant also shall furnish satisfactory proof that he:

1. Is at least twenty-one years of age;
2. Has attended high school for four years or has the equivalent of such an education;
3. Is a graduate of an optometry school or college of good standing, requiring an attendance of not less than two thousand hours or a two years' course, or that he has the equivalent of such an education.

Before beginning the examination, the applicant shall pay to the secretary of the board the sum of twenty dollars.

§ 5. Amendment.) Section 43-1320 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

43-1320. Term of Certificate: Renewal: Annual License Fee.) A certificate of registration to practice optometry in the state shall be issued for one year only but may be renewed by paying to the secretary of the board, during the month of January of each year, the sum of fifteen dollars as a license fee for the succeeding year. Failure by any person to pay the annual license fee shall constitute a revocation of its certificate of registration, effective from and after February first of the year in which the annual license fee becomes due and payable. The certificate of registration may be reinstated by the board upon the payment by the person in default of an additional sum of fifteen dollars and upon the performance of such other reasonable conditions as the board may impose.

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CHAPTER 285

S. B. No. 171

(Kieley, Welander, Kusler and Sayer)

RECIPROCITY FOR LICENSED NONRESIDENT ELECTRICIANS

AN ACT

To provide for reciprocity for licensed electricians.

Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. License To Nonresidents: Reciprocity.) To the extent that other states which provide for the licensing of electricians provide for similar action, the state electrical board may grant licenses of the same grade or class to electricians licensed by other states, upon payment by the applicant of the required fee, after being furnished with proof that the qualifications of the applicant are equal to the qualifications of holders of similar licenses in North Dakota.

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