



business to bid on jobs totaling \$500 or more. Individual certification by DLSE is required for an electrician who performs electrical work for a C-10 contractor.

DLSE maintains separate classifications of certification for general, residential, fire/life/safety, non-residential lighting, and voice-data-video electricians. Depending on the type of certification, the process requires 4,800 to 8,000 hours of experience and a 70% passing score on the state examination. To apply for the exam, an individual must mail an application and check to DLSE, along with a Social Security Administration employment history report and documentation of completed training hours. Upon approval, DLSE will send the applicant an eligibility notice and the applicant can schedule their exam. The computer-based certification exam is administered by PSI Services, LLC, at its centers across the state and applicants receive their score immediately upon completion of the exam. If the applicant fails, the applicant must complete a retest application form and wait 60 days before retaking the exam. This bill requires DLSE to allow an individual to submit an electronic application for electrician certification and examination and allows an applicant who fails the exam to immediately retake the examination at DLSE's next available appointment, instead of waiting 60 days.

An electrician must renew their certification every three years by mailing an application and check to DLSE. The electrician must also complete 32 hours of approved continuing education and document 2,000 hours of industry work experience during the preceding three years. This bill requires DLSE to allow an electrician to submit an electronic application for renewal of certification.

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