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Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420

SUBCHAPTER 13. ELECTRONIC WASTE MANAGEMENT

7:26A-13.9 Collection obligation determination

(a)-(d) (No change.)

(e) A manufacturer may comment on the collection obligation or any supporting data provided in the Preliminary Collection Obligation Report by submitting comments by April 1 of the year the Department provided the Preliminary Collection Obligation Report to the Department at the following address:

Department of Environmental Protection
Division of [Solid and Hazardous Waste] **Sustainable Waste Management**

Bureau of Recycling and Hazardous Waste Management
401 East State Street, 2nd Floor, West Wing
Mail Code 401-02C
[P.O.] PO Box 420
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0420.

(f)-(h) (No change.)

7:26A-13.12 Requests for administrative hearings

(a) Subject to the limits on third-party hearings at N.J.S.A. 52:14B-3.1 [through], **3.2, and 3.3**, a party who believes it is aggrieved with respect to the Department's decision to approve or disapprove the collection plan of a manufacturer or group of manufacturers may, within 20 calendar days after the date of the decision, request an administrative hearing by submitting the request, in writing, to:

Office of Legal Affairs
ATTENTION: Adjudicatory Hearing Requests
Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street, 7th Floor, West Wing
Mail Code 401-04L
[P.O.] PO Box 402
Trenton, NJ 08625-0402

and to:

Department of Environmental Protection
Division of [Solid and Hazardous Waste] **Sustainable Waste Management**

Bureau of Recycling and Hazardous Waste Management
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(b)-(f) (No change.)

HUMAN SERVICES

(a)

BUREAU OF GUARDIANSHIP SERVICES

Guardianship: Need, Appointment, Continuity

Readoption: N.J.A.C. 10:43

Proposed: May 16, 2022, at 54 N.J.R. 858(a).

Adopted: August 4, 2022, by Sarah Adelman, Commissioner,
Department of Human Services.

Filed: August 26, 2022, as R.2022 d.129, **without change**.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 30:1-12 and 30:4-165.4 et seq.

Effective Date: August 26, 2022.

Expiration Date: August 26, 2029.

Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

No comments were received.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required because the readopted rules are not subject to any Federal standards or requirements.

Full text of the readopted rules can be found in the New Jersey Administrative Code at N.J.A.C. 10:43.

LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

(b)

DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

Qualifications for Licensure

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 13:31-2.1, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 3.3, and 5.1

Adopted New Rule: N.J.A.C. 13:31-2.3

Proposed: September 7, 2021, at 53 N.J.R. 1473(a).

Adopted: January 12, 2022, by the Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, Joseph Schooley, Chairman.

Filed: September 6, 2022, as R.2022 d.127, **without change**.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 45:5A-6; and P.L. 2018, c. 155.

Effective Date: October 3, 2022.

Expiration Date: December 18, 2025.

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Responses:

The official comment period ended November 6, 2021. The Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors (Board) received comments from Darren Reaman, Director of Government Affairs, Custom Electronic Design and Installation Association (CEDIA).

1. COMMENT: The commenter expresses concern that the proposed amendments and new rule will be costly and burdensome to residential integrators—who design, install, and integrate technology systems in homes—and industry in the State. The commenter states that the proposed amendments and new rule will have an economic impact by increasing the costs of training to enter the trade, which in turn, will decrease the number of electricians in the State. The commenter further states that the new requirements could create a barrier to entry to the industry. The commenter maintains that an apprenticeship should not be the only recognized type of training for licensing electrical contractors.

RESPONSE: The proposed rules implement P.L. 2018, c. 155, which revised the qualifications for licensure of electrical contractors to require five years of experience, including a four-year electrical apprenticeship program accredited and approved by the United States Department of Labor (DOL) and one year as a journeyman electrician. The Board believes that while the rules may result in fewer applicants for licensure, they will also ensure that licensees are well-equipped to perform their duties. The Board acknowledges that there may be costs to apprentices associated with completing an electrical apprenticeship program that is accredited and approved by DOL. However, the Board does not have the authority to deviate from the statutory requirement that an apprenticeship program be accredited and approved by DOL.

2. COMMENT: The commenter contends that the amendments and new rule will increase the cost of housing and electrical and technology services in the home and decrease the number of electricians in the State and the level of service on technology systems in the home.

RESPONSE: As noted in the Response to Comment 1, the Board does not have the authority to deviate from the statutory requirements, which are reflected in the amendments and new rule. The Board acknowledges that the amendments and new rule may result in a decrease in the number of electrical contractors in the State because potential candidates for licensure may not want to complete an apprenticeship program as a condition of licensure. The amendments and new rule may also result in an increase in prices for electrical services if licensees pass on the costs of the new education and training requirements to consumers in the form of higher prices for services. However, as noted in the Response to Comment 1, the Board also believes that the amendments and new rule will increase the number of better-qualified licensees. The Board disagrees with the commenter's statement that the amendments and new