

**TO:** House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development  
House Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs  
House Committee on Government Operations  
Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs  
Senate Committee on Government Operations

**FROM:** Michael Desrochers, Executive Director, Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire Safety

**DATE:** January 29, 2019

**RE:** Act 119 - An Act Relating to Professional Licensing for Service Members and Veterans

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Pursuant to Section 8 of Act 119, the Executive Director of the Division of Fire Safety (“DFS”) shall on or before February 1 of each year, report to House Committee on Commerce and Economic Development, House Committee on General, Housing, and Military Affairs, House Committee on Government Operations, Senate Committee on Economic Development, Housing and General Affairs and the Senate Committee on Government Operations regarding:

1. The number of journeyman electrician licenses issued to service members and veterans pursuant to 26 V.S.A. § 906(c) during the previous calendar year;
2. The number of journeyman plumber licenses issued to service members and veterans pursuant to 26 V.S.A. § 2194(b) during the previous calendar year; and
3. The number of instances during the previous calendar year in which the Electrician’s Licensing Board, in determining the qualifications of a service member or veteran for a master electrician license, gave recognition to an applicant’s experience as a 12R Electrician or equivalent in the U.S. Armed forces as required by 26 V.S.A. § 907(b).

*See Section 8, Reporting; Utilization by Service Members and Veterans.*

**Findings:**

In 2018, the DFS did not receive any applications from service members or veterans requesting a journeyman electrician license.

In 2018, the DFS did not receive any applications from service members or veterans for a journeyman plumber license.

In 2018, the DFS did not receive any master electrician license applications from a service member or a veteran. Thus, during the last calendar year, there were no instances where the Electrician’s Licensing Board gave recognition to an applicant’s experience as a 12 R Electrician or equivalent in the U.S. Armed forces as required by 26 V.S.A. § 907(b).

