

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 5906

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SYNOPSIS AS ENACTED

Brief Description: Modifying electrical inspection standards.

SPONSORS: Senators Moore, Newhouse, Wojahn, Amondson and Hochstatter

SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR & COMMERCE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

BACKGROUND:

All equipment, including industrial control panels, that uses, conducts or is operated by electrical current must conform to the state's electrical code and the rules developed by the Department of Labor and Industries to implement the code. The State Electrical Code is based on the National Electrical Code developed by the National Fire Protection Association and applicable regulations and standards of the Underwriter's Laboratories, Inc., or other electrical product laboratories accredited by the department.

All industrial control panels that convey or are operated by electrical current are inspected by either the department or an approved independent product testing laboratory.

SUMMARY:

Industrial control panels, utilization equipment and their component parts do not need to be listed, labeled or otherwise meet approved electrical standards unless specifically required by the 1993 edition of the National Electrical Code.

The Department of Labor and Industries is directed to secure and review on an annual basis a copy of the latest revision of the National Electrical Code and a copy of any applicable regulations and standards of any electrical product testing laboratory which are accredited by the department, including modifications and changes that have been made in the last year.

VOTES ON FINAL PASSAGE:

Senate	47	0
House	94	0

EFFECTIVE: July 25, 1993