BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Interested parties explain that the Electrical Safety and Licensing Advisory Board makes policy recommendations relating to the on-premises sign industry to the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation. The board has designated positions on the board for master electricians and journeyman electricians, but there is concern that the board lacks a designated position for a master sign electrician. H.B. 1077 seeks to change the membership of the board to address this concern.

H.B. 1077 amends current law relating to the membership of the Electrical Safety and Licensing Advisory Board.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1305.051(a), Occupations Code, by including one master sign electrician member and two, rather than three, public members the Electrical Safety and Licensing Advisory Board appointed by the presiding officer of the Texas Commission of Licensing and Regulation (TCLR) with the approval of TCLR.

SECTION 2. Provides that the changes in law made by this Act to Section 1305.051(a), Occupations Code, regarding the qualifications for a member of the Electrical Safety and Licensing Advisory Board do not affect the entitlement of a member serving on the board immediately before the effective date of this Act to continue to serve and function as a member of the board for the remainder of the member's term. Requires the presiding officer of TCLR, when board vacancies occur on or after the effective date of this Act, to appoint new members to the board in a manner that reflects the changes in law made by this Act.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2015.