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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE LICENSING OF
TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE LAYOUT
TECHNICIANS."**

1 In line 44, after "statutes," insert "as amended by this act,"

2 After line 96, insert section 3 as follows:

3 "Sec. 3. Section 20-340b of the general statutes is repealed and the
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (a) As used in this section:

6 (1) "Telecommunications electrical work" means work permitted to
7 be performed by holders of a limited electrical contractor's license (T-1)
8 as provided by regulation adopted under this chapter.

9 (2) "Public service technician" means an employee of a public service
10 company or certified telecommunications provider, as defined in
11 section 16-1, or any affiliate of any such company or provider, who is
12 engaged in telecommunications electrical work and who is not

13 otherwise exempt from licensing pursuant to section 20-340.

14 (b) Notwithstanding any provisions of this chapter, to the contrary,
15 a public service technician may be issued a certificate of registration by
16 the Department of Consumer Protection, upon authorization of the
17 Electrical Work Board, in lieu of any license which otherwise might be
18 required under this chapter, which shall entitle the holder of such
19 certificate to perform telecommunications electrical work only as
20 provided in this section, provided the public service company,
21 certified telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate which employs
22 the public service technician certifies to the Electrical Work Board that
23 the employee has obtained such training and experience deemed
24 necessary by the public service company, certified telecommunications
25 provider or [its] affiliate to perform telecommunications electrical
26 work included in such employee's job functions.

27 (c) The content and duration of the training and experience
28 programs provided by the public service company, certified
29 telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate must be relevant to the
30 duties of the employee and must be approved biennially by the Labor
31 Department. In reviewing the programs and training provided by a
32 public service company, certified telecommunications provider or [its]
33 affiliate, the Labor Department shall consider the specialization of the
34 employees of the company or provider, the employee's previous
35 company or provider training, the service record of the company or
36 provider, the experience of the company or provider in training
37 employees to perform telecommunications electrical work, and the
38 quality assurance measures used by the company or provider.

39 (d) An employee enrolled in the [company's] training programs of
40 the public service company or certified telecommunications provider
41 shall be issued a trainee's certificate by such company or provider,
42 valid for the duration of the training program, and may perform
43 telecommunications electrical work only under the supervision of an
44 employee of the public service company, certified telecommunications
45 provider or [its] affiliate who is a registered public service technician

46 or holds a journeyman's license.

47 (e) A public service company or certified telecommunications
48 provider employing a public service technician shall inform the
49 Electrical Work Board upon the change in job description or
50 termination of any registered public service technician previously
51 certified to the board pursuant to subsection (b) of this section and
52 upon the issuance or termination of a trainee's certificate provided to
53 an employee pursuant to subsection (d) of this section.

54 (f) A registered public service technician or employee of a public
55 service company, certified telecommunications provider or [its]
56 affiliate issued a trainee's certificate by such company or provider may
57 only perform such work on behalf of such public service company,
58 certified telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate and only while
59 in the direct employment of such public service company, certified
60 telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate. Such registration or
61 trainee's certificate will be immediately relinquished upon termination
62 of employment from such public service company, certified
63 telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate.

64 (g) A registered public service technician may not supervise any
65 duly registered apprentice performing work under a permit issued
66 pursuant to subdivision (4) of subsection (a) of section 20-334a.

67 (h) The public service technician's registration shall expire annually.
68 The fee for registration as a public service technician shall be the same
69 fee as that charged for a journeyman's license under section 20-335.

70 (i) Registered public service technicians shall be subject to the same
71 disciplinary actions as journeymen, including, but not limited to,
72 actions authorized under sections 20-334, 20-341 and 21a-9.

73 (j) Supervisory personnel of a public service company, certified
74 telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate authorized to employ
75 registered public service technicians pursuant to this section may act as
76 an agent of such company or provider for the purpose of taking out a

77 permit pursuant to section 20-332-16(b) of the regulations of
78 Connecticut state agencies.

79 (k) In lieu of displaying a contractor's license number pursuant to
80 section 20-334, each public service company, certified
81 telecommunications provider or [its] affiliate authorized pursuant to
82 this section to employ registered public service technicians shall
83 display its name, logo or other trademark which clearly identifies the
84 company or provider on all commercial vehicles used in its business
85 and in a conspicuous manner on all printed advertisements, bid
86 proposals, contracts, invoices and on all stationery used in its
87 business."