

1 **CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR CONTRACTOR LICENSING**

2 **AMENDMENTS**

3 2016 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Scott D. Sandall**

6 Senate Sponsor: J. Stuart Adams

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill modifies a provision related to contractor continuing education.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12 This bill:

13 ▶ provides that an approved contractor continuing education program may include a
14 course approved by certain entities;

15 ▶ provides that an approved contractor continuing education program may include a
16 course offered by:

- 17 • a state executive branch agency;
- 18 • the Workers' Compensation Fund; or
- 19 • a state or nationally accredited college or university with a campus in the state;

20 ▶ provides that certain entities may offer and market, to a contractor in the electrical
21 trade, a continuing education course offered by certain electrical trade
22 organizations; and

23 ▶ provides that certain entities may market, to a contractor in the plumbing trade, a
24 continuing education course offered by certain plumbing trade organizations.

25 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

26 None

27 **Other Special Clauses:**

28 None

29 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30 AMENDS:

31 **58-55-302.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 148



33 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

34 Section 1. Section **58-55-302.5** is amended to read:

35 **58-55-302.5. Continuing education requirements for contractor licensees --**

36 **Continuing education courses.**

37 (1) Each contractor licensee under a license issued under this chapter shall complete
38 six hours of approved continuing education during each two-year renewal cycle established by
39 rule under Subsection **58-55-303**(1).

40 (2) (a) The commission shall, with the concurrence of the division, establish by rule a
41 program of approved continuing education for contractor licensees.

42 (b) ~~Beginning~~ Except as provided in Subsection (2)(e), beginning on or after June 1,
43 2015, only courses offered by any of the following may be included in the program of approved
44 continuing education for contractor licensees:

- 45 (i) the Associated General Contractors of Utah;
- 46 (ii) Associated Builders and Contractors, Utah Chapter;
- 47 (iii) the Home Builders Association of Utah;
- 48 (iv) the National Electrical Contractors Association Intermountain Chapter;
- 49 (v) the Utah Plumbing & Heating Contractors Association;
- 50 (vi) the Independent Electrical Contractors of Utah;
- 51 (vii) the Rocky Mountain Gas Association;
- 52 (viii) the Utah Mechanical Contractors Association;
- 53 (ix) the Sheet Metal Contractors Association;
- 54 (x) the Intermountain Electrical Association;
- 55 (xi) the Builders Bid Service of Utah; or
- 56 (xii) Utah Roofing Contractors Association[?].
- 57 ~~[(xiii) a nationally or regionally accredited college or university that has a physical~~

58 ~~campus in the state; or]~~

59 ~~[(xiv) an agency of the state.]~~

60 (c) An approved continuing education program for a contractor licensee may include a
61 course approved by an entity described in Subsections (2)(b)(i) through (2)(b)(iii).

62 ~~[(c) Each entity listed]~~ (d) (i) Except as provided in Subsections (2)(d)(ii) and (iii), an
63 entity listed in Subsections (2)(b)(iv) through (2)(b)(xii) may only offer and market continuing
64 education courses to a licensee who is a member of the entity.

65 (ii) An entity described in Subsection (2)(b)(iv), (vi), or (x) may offer and market a
66 continuing education course that the entity offers to satisfy the continuing education
67 requirement described in Subsection 58-55-302.7(2)(a) to a contractor in the electrical trade.

68 (iii) An entity described in Subsection (2)(b)(v) or (viii) may offer and market a
69 continuing education course that the entity offers to satisfy the continuing education
70 requirement described in Subsection 58-55-302.7(2)(b) to a contractor in the plumbing trade.

71 (e) On or after June 1, 2015, an approved continuing education program for a
72 contractor licensee may include a course offered and taught by:

73 (i) a state executive branch agency;

74 (ii) the Workers' Compensation Fund created in Section 31A-33-102; or

75 (iii) a nationally or regionally accredited college or university that has a physical
76 campus in the state.

77 (3) The division may contract with a person to establish and maintain a continuing
78 education registry to include:

79 (a) a list of courses that the division has approved for inclusion in the program of
80 approved continuing education; and

81 (b) a list of courses that:

82 (i) a contractor licensee has completed under the program of approved continuing
83 education; and

84 (ii) the licensee may access to monitor the licensee's compliance with the continuing
85 education requirement established under Subsection (1).

86 (4) The division may charge a fee, as established by the division under Section
87 [63J-1-504](#), to administer the requirements of this section.