

CONTINUING EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Susan Duckworth

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies provisions related to the Utah Construction Trades Licensing Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

► provides that approved continuing education courses for contractors may include certain out-of-state courses.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

58-55-302.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 260

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

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

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

Continuing education courses.

(1) Each contractor licensee under a license issued under this chapter shall complete six hours of approved continuing education during each two-year renewal cycle established by



28 rule under Subsection 58-55-303(1).

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

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

- 34 (i) the Associated General Contractors of Utah;
- 35 (ii) Associated Builders and Contractors, Utah Chapter;
- 36 (iii) the Home Builders Association of Utah;
- 37 (iv) the National Electrical Contractors Association Intermountain Chapter;
- 38 (v) the Utah Plumbing & Heating Contractors Association;
- 39 (vi) the Independent Electrical Contractors of Utah;
- 40 (vii) the Rocky Mountain Gas Association;
- 41 (viii) the Utah Mechanical Contractors Association;
- 42 (ix) the Sheet Metal Contractors Association;
- 43 (x) the Intermountain Electrical Association;
- 44 (xi) the Builders Bid Service of Utah; or
- 45 (xii) Utah Roofing Contractors Association.

46 (c) An approved continuing education program for a contractor licensee may include a
47 course, including an out-of-state course, approved by an entity described in Subsections
48 (2)(b)(i) through (2)(b)(iii).

49 (d) (i) Except as provided in Subsections (2)(d)(ii) and (iii), an entity listed in
50 Subsections (2)(b)(iv) through (2)(b)(xii) may only offer and market continuing education
51 courses to a licensee who is a member of the entity.

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

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

58 (e) On or after June 1, 2015, an approved continuing education program for a

59 contractor licensee may include a course offered and taught by:
60 (i) a state executive branch agency;
61 (ii) the Workers' Compensation Fund created in Section [31A-33-102](#); or
62 (iii) a nationally or regionally accredited college or university that has a physical
63 campus in the state.
64 (3) The division may contract with a person to establish and maintain a continuing
65 education registry to include:
66 (a) a list of courses that the division has approved for inclusion in the program of
67 approved continuing education; and
68 (b) a list of courses that:
69 (i) a contractor licensee has completed under the program of approved continuing
70 education; and
71 (ii) the licensee may access to monitor the licensee's compliance with the continuing
72 education requirement established under Subsection (1).
73 (4) The division may charge a fee, as established by the division under Section
74 [63J-1-504](#), to administer the requirements of this section.

Legislative Review Note
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