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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2255

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 2255 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Coal Mining Act is amended by changing
5 Section 2.05 and by adding Article 40 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 705/2.05) (from Ch. 96 1/2, par. 305)

7 Sec. 2.05. For the examination of persons seeking
8 certificates of competency as mine managers, hoisting
9 engineers, and mine examiners, the Board shall hold meetings at
10 such times and places within the State as shall, in the
11 judgment of the members, afford the best facilities to the
12 greatest number of candidates. They shall also call an
13 examination at least once a year for electrical hoisting
14 engineers and at least twice a year for mine electricians.

15 (Source: Laws 1953, p. 701.)

1 (225 ILCS 705/Art. 40 heading new)

2 ARTICLE 40.

3 MINE ELECTRICIANS.

4 (225 ILCS 705/40.1 new)

5 Sec. 40.1. Mine electrician. Each applicant for a
6 certificate of competency as mine electrician shall produce
7 evidence of at least one year of experience in performing
8 electrical work in a coal mine or acceptable, related industry.
9 The applicant shall pass an examination as to his or her
10 practical and technical knowledge of the nature and properties
11 of electricity, direct and alternating currents, electrical
12 equipment and circuits, permissibility of electrical
13 equipment, the National Electrical Code, and the laws of this
14 State relating to coal mine electricity. To be eligible for
15 taking a mine electrician examination administered by the State
16 Mining Board, the applicant must meet at least one of the
17 following criteria:

18 (1) be classified as an apprentice mine electrician and
19 have met the requirements for an apprentice;

20 (2) possess a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical
21 engineering and provide evidence of experience;

22 (3) possess a current coal mine electrician
23 certification from another state coal mine electrical
24 program; or

25 (4) be qualified as a mine electrician, but have not

1 taken a State-approved coal mine electrician examination
2 or a federal coal mine electrician examination.

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4 (225 ILCS 705/40.2 new)

5 Sec. 40.2. Electrical equipment and systems; examination,
6 testing, and maintenance. All electrical equipment and systems
7 shall be frequently examined and tested and properly maintained
8 by a mine electrician to ensure safe operating conditions. When
9 a potentially dangerous condition is found in electrical
10 equipment or an electrical system, the equipment or system
11 shall be removed from service until the condition is corrected.
12 A record of the examinations shall be kept and made available
13 to the company, the State Mine Inspector, and all other persons
14 interested."