



January 21, 2009

Rep. John Soper
200 East Colfax Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80203

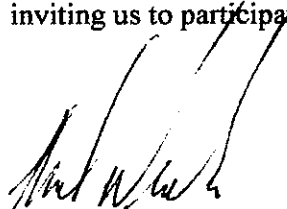
Re: HB 1136

Sir:


Rich Thatcher and I would like to express our appreciation to you for including us in the stakeholders group that was assembled to draft HB 1136, addressing licensing and license renewal requirements for electricians. The process by which the group addressed the concerns that our various constituencies had voiced about the previous bill was efficient and productive. We felt that there was a representative balance of both the electrical industry and electrical education programs at the table that resulted in requirements which will address the competency and public safety issues in an accessible manner.

We were pleased to be able to introduce the group to the resources available through the community college system state-wide and look forward to being able to assist interested parties in accessing those resources.

One of us will be attending the House Business Affairs and Labor Committee hearing which is set for February 3 in order to demonstrate our support of the bill. Thank you for inviting us to participate in the process.

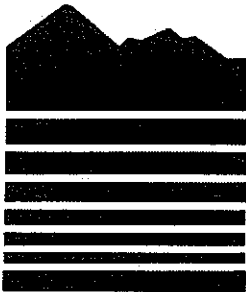


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January 23, 2009

The Honorable John Soper
Colorado House of Representatives
200 East Colfax – Rm 271
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Rep. Soper:

The Rocky Mountain Chapter, NECA would like to go on record in support of HB 09-1136 "Concerning a Person's Competency to Perform Electrical Work". As one of the many stakeholders who were afforded the opportunity to provide input on this Bill, we believe that the end result is in the best interest of our industry and the customers we serve. We also want to extend our appreciation for your efforts in securing a consensus on this legislation.

Very truly,

Ralph Lufen
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cc: Mr. Rory Berumen, Chapter Manager – RMC, NECA



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February 2, 2009

Representative John Soper
State Capitol Building
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Representative Soper:

The Associated General Contractors of Colorado (AGC/C) are in support of HB 09-1136
“Concerning a Person’s Competency to Perform Electrical Work.”

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dennis Jakubowski
Director of Governmental Affairs

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January 28, 2009

67th General Assembly
State Capitol
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing to request your positive review and promotion for House Bill 09-1136, concerning a person's competency to perform electrical work.

During the 66th General Assembly of 2008, House Bill, 08-1170, concerning the "regulation of Electricians", made its way through Committee, the House and the Senate but was vetoed by the Governor, this because of legitimate concerns, of disproportional burdens that it would place on small and rural contractors.

Though disappointed, the veto contained a promise for the convening of a stakeholder's meeting, assembled by the Executive Director of the Department of Labor and Employment to develop a solution that would not unnecessarily or disproportionately burden any particular sector of the profession.

I am proud to say that these stakeholder's meetings were held, and representatives of the Colorado Electrical Industry, whether in construction or electrical training, urban or rural area dedicated their time and effort to HB 09-1136, and drafting language acceptable to everyone in this diverse group.

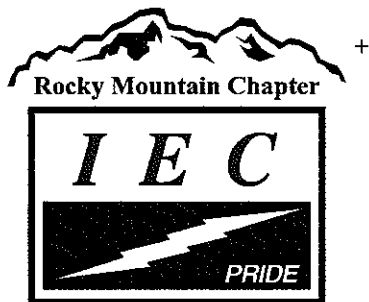
I thank the Governor, Department of Labor and Employment, and my fellow stakeholders for their labors, and request the 67th General Assembly to move House Bill 09-1136 to a satisfactory conclusion through our legislative process.

Sincerely,

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Dennis Whalen
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February 2, 2009

Mr. Tom Morgan
Colorado Department of Labor & Employment
Office of Government Policy & Public Affairs
633 17th Street, Suite 1100
Denver, CO 80202

Dear Tom:

First off, I wanted to express my gratitude to Governor Ritter – and Don Mares – for their foresight in assembling a stakeholders’ group to cooperatively review the educational and training needs of the electrical contracting trade in Colorado. I am particularly grateful that IEC, and myself personally, had the opportunity to participate in this unique process. I believe we all would agree that this has been a profitable, productive experience.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to also thank you for your tireless efforts over the past few months. You definitely were the “glue” that held this disparate group together, and I appreciate how supportive you were in coordinating this entire process. Our success as a group is due, in no small part, to your conscientious, bi-partisan efforts.

As you know, my members expressed some specific reservations regarding HB 09-1136. Thank you for meeting with our group last week to address these concerns directly. I appreciate the patience you, and Rep. Soper, have shown in working with us to develop a ‘friendly amendment’ to this bill that addresses one key area of concern – and I am happy to report that IEC will not oppose the passage of HB 09-1136 in its amended form.

Once again, thank you for allowing IEC to be involved in this important process. At this point, we look forward to continuing to participate with DORA, and the State Electrical Board, in the further development of rules, regulations, and standards in accordance with this new legislation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Terry Moreland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Terry Moreland

From: DAVID COREY [d.corey@bresnan.net]
Sent: Friday, January 30, 2009 12:54 PM
To: john.soper.house@state.co.us
Cc: Tom Morgan

Representative Soper, I understand that bill 09-1136 goes to committee next week. Electrical contractors that I've talked to are pro education as long as it is easily available and not too costly. I believe this concern is addressed in the bill by allowing several options for obtaining the required 288 hours. I'm glad to have been involved in this process as a rural contractor. Good Luck! Dave Corey (Corey Electrical Service lic. #508)