

**Session Law 2014-120**

(Senate Bill 734- Ratified)

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**Exemption for certified well contractors from electrical licensing requirements  
to run electrical wires from the well pump to the pressure switch**

**WELL CONTRACTOR LICENSING CHANGES**

**SECTION 42.(a)** G.S. 87-43.1 is amended by adding the following new subdivision to read:

**"§ 87-43.1. Exceptions.**

The provisions of this Article shall not apply:

- (10) To the installation, construction, maintenance, or repair of electrical wiring, devices, appliances, or equipment by a person certified as a well contractor under Article 7A of this Chapter when running electrical wires from the well pump to the pressure switch."

**SECTION 42.(b)** G.S. 87-98.6 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 87-98.6. Well contractor qualifications and examination.**

(a) The Commission, with the advice and assistance of the Secretary, shall establish minimum requirements of education, experience, and knowledge for each type of certification for well contractors and shall establish procedures for receiving applications for certification, conducting examinations, and making investigations of applicants as may be necessary and appropriate so that prompt and fair consideration will be given to each applicant.

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(b) The Commission, with the advice and assistance of the Secretary, shall establish minimum requirements of education, experience, and knowledge for each type of certification for well contractors for the installation, construction, maintenance, and repair of electrical wiring devices, appliances, and equipment related to the construction, operation, and repair of wells. Requirements developed pursuant to this subsection shall apply only to the initial certification of an applicant and shall not be required as part of continuing education or as a condition of certification renewal."

**SECTION 42.(c)** This section is effective when it becomes law. The requirements of subsection (b) of G.S. 87-98.6, as enacted by Section 42(b) of this act, apply to applicants applying for certification on or after the date this section becomes effective.

**Note for well contractors: Don't forget about electrical permits or inspections you may still need!**