

Committee on Innovation, Industry, and Technology

HB 763 — Registered Contractor Licensing

by Rep. B. Watson and others (SB 604 by Senator Pizzo)

The bill extends until November 1, 2021, the deadline for eligible electrical contractors, electrical specialty contractors, and alarm system contractors who are registered with the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) and who are authorized to work in local jurisdictions, to apply for a certificate of competency from DBPR.

Qualification as a certified contractor is discretionary, and not mandatory. Certified contractors may engage in their trade category throughout the state, with no geographic limitation. The DBPR estimates there are approximately 1,501 registered contractors in the state who may be eligible to apply for certification through the new deadline of November 1, 2021.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2019.

Vote: Senate 33-0; House 112-0