

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT[661]

Amended Notice of Intended Action

Providing for a public hearing on rule making related to electrical installations

The Notice of Intended Action published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on August 11, 2021, as **ARC 5838C**, proposes to amend Chapter 504, “Standards for Electrical Work,” Iowa Administrative Code. In order to receive oral comments concerning **ARC 5838C**, the Electrical Examining Board hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held as follows:

October 21, 2021
10 to 11 a.m.

First Floor Public Conference Room 125
Oran Pape State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa

Persons who wish to make oral comments at the public hearing may be asked to state their names for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of this proposed rule making.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements, such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments, should contact the Board and advise of specific needs.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is proposed under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 103.6(1).

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, 2021 Iowa Acts, House File 871, section 25.

Purpose and Summary

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The Board wishes to hold a public hearing on this matter during one of its regular meetings in order to allow interested parties the opportunity to comment publicly, which requires additional time. No changes have been made from the original Notice.

Fiscal Impact, Jobs Impact, Waivers

Statements related to the fiscal impact, jobs impact, and waiver of this rule making may be found in the preamble of **ARC 5838C**.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

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Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

Any person who believes that the application of the discretionary provisions of this rule making would result in hardship or injustice to that person may petition the Department for a waiver of the discretionary provisions, if any, pursuant to the provisions of rule 661—10.222(17A).

Public Comment

Any interested person may submit written or oral comments concerning this proposed rule making. Written or oral comments in response to this rule making must be received by the Department no later than 4:30 p.m. on August 31, 2021. Comments should be directed to:

Sarah Jennings
Department of Public Safety
Oran Pape State Office Building
215 East 7th Street
Des Moines, Iowa 50319
Phone: 515.725.6185
Email: jennings@dps.state.ia.us

Public Hearing

No public hearing is scheduled at this time. As provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b,” an oral presentation regarding this rule making may be demanded by 25 interested persons, a governmental subdivision, the Administrative Rules Review Committee, an agency, or an association having 25 or more members.

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The following rule-making action is proposed:

Amend rule 661—504.1(103), introductory paragraph, as follows:

661—504.1(103) Installation requirements. The provisions of the National Electrical Code, 2020 edition, published by the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169-7471, are adopted as the requirements for electrical installations performed by persons licensed pursuant to 661—Chapters 500 through 503 and to installations subject to inspection pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 103 ~~with the following amendments, which shall expire on January 1, 2022.~~ The following amendments are effective as of May 1, 2021, shall not expire, and shall remain in effect until, at minimum, the effective date of rules adopted by the board in regard to either (1) a subsequent edition of the National Electrical Code; or (2) subsequent amendments, issued and adopted by the National Fire Protection Association, to the National Electrical Code, 2020 edition: