

**OPINION  
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OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS

RE: Electrician - City Inspectors - Supervision

This is in further reply to your letter of July 17 in which you inquire whether the state Board of Electricians could exercise supervision over electrical work in cities having their own inspectors.

Section 43-0921 specifying standards for electrical wiring and equipment provides as follows:

"All electrical wiring, apparatus, or equipment shall comply with the rules and regulations of the board, the public service commission, the commissioner of insurance, and the state fire marshal made under authority of the laws of this state and in conformity with the approved methods of construction for safety to life and property. The regulations laid down in the national electrical code and the national electrical safety code as approved by the American engineering standards committee shall be prima facie evidence of such approved methods. Any municipality may make more stringent requirements. No electrical installation shall be connected for use until proof has been furnished to the person, firm, or corporation supplying electrical energy that such regulations have been complied with."

It is, of course, obvious that inspectors appointed by the cities must comply with the requirements of section 43-0921, supra. It would also follow that if a question should arise as to whether or not inspectors have complied with said statutes and the regulations prescribed therein, it would be the duty of the State Board of Electricians to determine whether or not the work under consideration or inspection had been performed in accordance with the regulations specified therein.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this office that the State Board of Electricians has the authority under the law and may, whenever requested, make inspection of electrical wiring or other electrical work performed in the city to determine whether same has been performed as required by the statutes and the regulations specified therein.

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