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SENATOR WILL: Right.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: And to get that license I would imagine I would have to take a test.

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SENATOR MORRISSEY: Do you know how often I have to take that test and renew that license.

SENATOR WILL: I don't recall. I know that that was discussed in the testimony before the committee. And this bill, by the way, was supported by both labor and management, but I don't recall the exact time frame on that.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: And you don't...would you know exactly what procedures do take license? I understand there is some that maybe I can do that I don't need a license and certain ones that do. Do...

SENATOR WILL: I think there is gradation, if I recall correctly, and you know, certain things that are more basic that you can do without a license of with a lower grade license and then if you want to get in the more complex procedures, you have to pass a higher level of exam to get that higher license.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay, and then again I would imagine in most places that work would then be inspected by an inspector.

SENATOR WILL: I would think so.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Okay, so if I have to have a license to do certain work, I have to take a test to get that license, I have to pass that test. To pass that test I have to know what I'm doing and then once I do the work an inspector, a state inspector is going to okay it. So if I can do all of that, why do I have to have continuing education?

SENATOR WILL: The theory behind the bill was there are advances in technology and the way that an electrician's...in the types of things that electricians have to deal with and it was probably in the best interest of the operation of electricians around the state to require some sort of minimal continuing