



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Date: January 21, 2022
By: Leslie Porter, Analyst
Re: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

ELECTRICAL AND ELEVATOR BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Electrical and Elevator Board subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointee

Al Schacher of Portland

Term

March 1, 2021 – February 28, 2026

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 455.144 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The board consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate, including:⁴

- a fire and casualty underwriter (VACANT);
- a representative of industrial plants regularly employing licensed electricians (VACANT);
- a person representing the power and light industry (PALMROSE);
- an electrical equipment supplier who otherwise qualifies by experience in the industry (**SCHACHER**);
- an elevator manufacturing representative (McNEILL);
- one member from the electrical equipment manufacturing industry who otherwise qualifies by experience and training in electricity (BARLOW);
- two journeyman electricians (FLEGEL, CURRIE);
- an electrical inspector (SMITH);
- two electrical contractors (KYLE, RICHARDS);

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2019\)](#) and [171.565 \(2019\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2019\)](#).

³ [ORS 182.100 \(2019\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2019\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 455.138 \(2019\)](#) and [455.144 \(2019\)](#).

- a municipal building official (BUNGA);
- a journeyman elevator installer (CARMONY);
- an owner or manager of a commercial office building (RUDDER); and
- a public member who does not receive compensation from any interest represented on the board (BEYER).

Members serve four-year terms and at the pleasure of the Governor. A member may not serve more than two full terms. The board must select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, for such terms and with duties and powers necessary for the performance of the functions of such position as the board determines. A majority of the members of a board constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. The board must meet at least four times per year.⁵

Duties and Authority

The board assists the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services in administering the state electrical and elevator programs.⁶ The board must:⁷

- administer and enforce the state's Electrical Safety Law;
- select two members to serve on the Construction Industry Energy Board;
- review amendments to the electrical provisions of the Low-Rise Residential Dwelling Code;
- adopt rules as required to administer the Electrical Safety Law, including rules to administer licensing, certification, registration of regulated persons, and the sale and regulation of electrical permits;
- receive, review, and make determinations on appeals; and
- adopt and administer standards for the delegation of a municipal electrical inspection program.

The board may:⁸

- adopt rules to administer the licensing, certification, or registration of persons regulated by the Electrical Safety Law;
- deny a license, certificate, registration, or application or may suspend, revoke, condition, or refuse to renew a license, certificate, or registration if the board makes specified findings;
- adopt specified exemptions from the license, permit, and product registration requirements of the Electrical Safety Law; and
- impose civil penalties for specified violations.

⁵ [ORS 455.146 \(2021\)](#).

⁶ [ORS 455.138 \(2021\)](#).

⁷ [ORS 455.492 to 455.610 \(2021\)](#), [479.540 to 479.945 \(2021\)](#), [460.125 \(2021\)](#).

⁸ [ORS 455.117 to 455.895 \(2021\)](#), [479.540 to 479.995 \(2021\)](#).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Electrical and Elevator Board

Agency: None
Authorization: ORS 455.138&144
Members: Min: 15 Max: 15
Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Labor/Trades

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

BJ Barlow, III
3(f) Electrical Equipment Manufacturing
Term(s): 05-15-2019 - 06-30-2022

Position Number: 6

Amy E Beyer
Public Member
Term(s): 10-01-2020 - 06-30-2023

Position Number: 8

Elizabeth J Bunga
3(j) Municipal Building Official
Term(s): 10-01-2020 - 06-30-2021

Position Number: 15

Randy D Carmony
3(k) Journeyman Elevator Installer
Term(s): 07-01-2018 - 06-30-2022

Position Number: 9

Sara E Currie
3(g) Journeyman Electrician
Term(s): 11-19-2021 - 06-30-2025

Position Number: 11

Jon Flegel
3(g) Journeyman Electrician
Term(s): 07-01-2021 - 06-30-2025
11-17-2017 - 06-30-2021

Position Number: 3

Tom Kyle
3(i) Electrical Contractor
Term(s): 07-01-2021 - 06-30-2025
09-25-2017 - 06-30-2021

Position Number: 2

Rob McNeill
3(e) Elevator Manufacturing
Term(s): 07-01-2019 - 06-30-2023

Position Number: 5

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Heather A Miller

3(g) Journeyman Electrician

Position Number: 11

Term(s): 03-15-2017 - 06-30-2020
03-15-2013 - 03-14-2017

Vern Palmrose

3(c) Power and Light Industry Representative

Position Number: 1

Term(s): 12-19-2016 - 06-30-2020

Ryan E Richards

3(i) Electrical Contractor

Position Number: 7

Term(s): 07-01-2019 - 06-30-2023
12-17-2018 - 06-30-2019

Richard E Rudder

3(l) Commercial Building Manager/Owner

Position Number: 14

Term(s): 11-19-2021 - 06-30-2025

Al Schacher

3(f) One member from the electrical equipment manufacturing industry who otherwise qualifies by experience and training in electricity

Position Number: 4

Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 02-28-2026

Randy Smith, II

3(h) Electrical Inspector

Position Number: 10

Term(s): 04-01-2019 - 03-31-2023
04-01-2015 - 03-31-2019

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Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Policy Area: Labor/Trades

Vacant Appointments:

Pos	Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
12	James A Fahey Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	07/01/2011	06/30/2015
12	James A Fahey Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	07/01/2007	06/30/2011
12	James A Fahey Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	12/01/2006	06/30/2007
12	Karen F Hale Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	02/15/2005	06/30/2007
12	Sara L Medlock Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	07/01/2003	06/30/2007
12	Sara L Medlock Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	07/01/1999	06/30/2003
12	Sara L Medlock Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	11/20/1998	06/30/1999
12	Wolfgang Grube Fire & Casualty Underwriter	Governor	09/10/1995	06/30/1999
Pos	Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
13	Bruce E Freeman Industrial Plant Employing Electricians	Governor	10/01/2010	06/30/2014
13	Nolan W Shefstad Industrial Plant Employing Electricians	Governor	07/01/2006	06/30/2010
13	Nolan W Shefstad Industrial Plant Employing Electricians	Governor	07/01/2002	06/30/2006
13	Rich H Dodge Industrial Plant Employing Electricians	Governor	07/01/1998	06/30/2002
13	Donald L Bass Industrial Plant Employing Electricians	Governor	03/01/1994	06/30/1998