# **Memorandum**

PREPARED FOR: Senate Interim Committee on Rules and Executive Appointments

DATE: September 12, 2025

BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



### **ELECTRICAL AND ELEVATOR BOARD**

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Electrical and Elevator Board subject to Senate confirmation.<sup>1</sup>

## **New Appointee**

Eric Davis of Scio

#### **Re-appointees**

David Albritton of Clatskanie Sara Currie of Estacada Robert Larzalere of Washougal, Washington Ken Spencer of Canby

#### **Terms**

Davis: October 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029 Re-appointees: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2029

### **Appointment/Confirmation Authority**

ORS 455.144 (2023)

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

# Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of 15 members:

- a fire and casualty underwriter (VACANT);
- a representative industrial plants regularly employing licensed electricians (ALBRITTON);
- one power and light industry representative (SPENCER);
- an electrical equipment supplier who otherwise qualifies by experience in the industry (SCHACHER);
- an elevator manufacturer (MCNEILL);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 and 171.565 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ORS 244.050 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ORS 455.138 and 455.144 (2023); ORS 182.100 (2023) for affirmative action policy; ORS 236.115 (2023) for diversity criteria.

- one electrical equipment manufacturing industry representative who otherwise qualifies by experience and training in electricity (BARLOW);
- two journeyman electricians (FLEGEL, CURRIE);
- an electrical inspector (SONNABEND);
- two electrical contractors (DAVIS, RICHARDS);
- a municipal building official (BUNGA);
- a journeyman elevator installer (LARZALERE);
- 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 (ARNBRISTER).

Members serve four-year terms and may not serve more than two full terms. The board selects its chair and vice chair. The board must meet at least four times per year.<sup>4</sup>

#### **Duties**

The board assists the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services in administering the state electrical and elevator programs.<sup>5</sup> The board must:<sup>6</sup>

- 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;
- receive, review, and make determinations on appeals; and
- adopt and administer standards for the delegation of a municipal electrical inspection program.

#### The board may also:<sup>7</sup>

- 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 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.

<sup>5</sup> ORS 455.138 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> ORS 455.117 to 455.895 (2023), ORS 479.540 to 479.995 (2023).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> ORS 455.146 (2023).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> ORS 455.492 to 455.610 (2023), ORS 479.540 to 479.945 (2023), ORS 460.125 (2023).

**Electrical and Elevator Board** 

Agency: Consumer & Business Services, Department of

Authorization: ORS 455.138

Min Members: 15 Max Members: 15

Term Length: 4 Term Limit: 2

Senate Confirmation Required?: Yes

Policy Area: Labor/Trades
Board Admin: Debi Woods

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**Current Appointments** 

Albritton, David Term(s): 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029

Industrial Plant Rep 6/5/2024 - 6/30/2025

Position Number: 2

**Mr Flegel, Jon** Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025** 

Journeyman Electrician 11/17/2017 - 6/30/2021

Position Number: **7** 

**Spencer, Kenneth** Term(s): **7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029** 

Power & Light Industry Rep 9/28/2022 - 6/30/2025

Position Number: 3

Schacher, AI Term(s): 3/1/2022 - 2/28/2026

Electrical equipment supplier who otherwise qualifies by

experience in the industry

Position Number: 4

Mr McNeill, Robert "Rob" L Term(s): 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

Elevator Manufacturing Rep 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023

Position Number: 5

Mr Barlow, William "BJ" E III Term(s): 7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026

Electrical Equipment Manufacturer 5/15/2019 - 6/30/2022

Position Number: 6

Mr Richards, Ryan E Term(s): 7/1/2023 - 6/30/2027

Electrical Contractor 7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023

Position Number: 11 12/17/2018 - 6/30/2019

**Currie, Sara E** Term(s): **7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029** 

Journeyman Electrician 11/19/2021 - 6/30/2025

Position Number: 8

Sonnabend, Frank Term(s): 4/26/2023 - 6/30/2026 **Electrical Inspector** Position Number: 9 Davis, Eric Term(s): 10/1/2025 - 6/30/2029 **Electrical Contractor** Position Number: 10 Ms Bunga, Elizabeth J Term(s): 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029 **Building Official** 7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025 Position Number: 12 10/1/2020 - 6/30/2021 Larzalere, Robert Term(s): 7/1/2025 - 6/30/2029 Journeyman Elevator Installer 9/28/2022 - 6/30/2025 Position Number: 13 Mr Rudder, Richard E Term(s): 11/19/2021 - 6/30/2025 Commercial Building Manager/Owner Position Number: 14 3/1/2025 - 6/30/2028 **Arnbrister, Lawrence** Term(s): **Public Member** 

Vacant Positions				
Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
1	Mr Palmrose, Vernon "Vern" G	Governor	12/19/2016	6/30/2020
1	Mr Johnston, James G	Governor	7/1/2009	6/30/2013
1	Mr Johnston, James G	Governor	7/1/2005	6/30/2009
1	Mr Johnston, James G	Governor	2/1/2002	6/30/2005
1	Mr Donaldson, Jack L	Governor	7/1/1997	6/30/2001
1	Mr Donaldson, Jack L	Governor	3/1/1994	6/30/1997

Position Number: 15