

1 Article 4.

2 Electrical Materials, Devices, Appliances and Equipment.

3 **§ 66-23. Sale of electrical goods regulated.**

4 Every person, firm or corporation before selling, offering for sale, assigning, or disposing
5 of by gift as premiums or in any similar manner any electrical material, devices, appliances or
6 equipment shall first determine if such electrical materials, devices, appliances and equipment
7 comply with the provision of this Article. (1933, c. 555, s. 1; 1989, c. 681, s. 1.)
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9 **§ 66-24. Identification marks required.**

10 All electrical materials, devices, appliances and equipment shall have the maker's name,
11 trademark, or other identification symbol placed thereon, together with such other markings
12 giving voltage, current, wattage, or other appropriate ratings as may be necessary to determine
13 the character of the material, device, appliance or equipment and the use for which it is
14 intended; and it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to remove, alter, change
15 or deface the maker's name, trademark or other identification symbol. (1933, c. 555, s. 2; 1989,
16 c. 681, s. 1.)
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18 **§ 66-25. Acceptable listings as to safety of goods.**

19 All electrical materials, devices, appliances, and equipment shall be evaluated for safety
20 and suitability for intended use. This evaluation shall be conducted in accordance with
21 nationally recognized standards and shall be conducted by a qualified testing laboratory. The
22 Commissioner of Insurance, through the Engineering Division of the Department of Insurance,
23 shall implement the procedures necessary to approve suitable national standards and to approve
24 suitable qualified testing laboratories. The Commissioner may assign his authority to
25 implement the procedures for specific materials, devices, appliances, or equipment to other
26 agencies or bodies when they would be uniquely qualified to implement those procedures.

27 In the event that the Commissioner determines that electrical materials, devices, appliances,
28 or equipment in question cannot be adequately evaluated through the use of approved national
29 standards or by approved qualified testing laboratories, the Engineering Division of the
30 Department of Insurance shall specify any alternative evaluations which safety requires.

31 The Engineering Division of the Department of Insurance shall keep in file, where
32 practical, copies of all approved national standards and resumes of approved qualified testing
33 laboratories. (1933, c. 555, s. 3; 1989, c. 681, s. 1.)
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35 **§ 66-26. Legal responsibility of proper installations unaffected.**

36 This Article shall not be construed to relieve from or to lessen the responsibility or liability
37 of any party owning, operating, controlling or installing any electrical materials, devices,
38 appliances or equipment for damages to persons or property caused by any defect therein, nor
39 shall the electrical inspector, the Commissioner, or agents of the Commissioner be held as
40 assuming any such liability by reason of the approval of any material, device, appliance or
41 equipment authorized herein. (1933, c. 555, s. 4; 1989, c. 681, s. 1.)
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43 **§ 66-27. Violation made misdemeanor.**

44 Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Article shall
45 be guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor. (1933, c. 555, s. 5; 1989, c. 681, s. 1; 1993, c. 539, s. 509;
46 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c).)
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48 **§ 66-27.01. Enforcement.**

49 The Commissioner or his designee or the electrical inspector of any State or local governing
50 agency may initiate any appropriate action or proceedings to prevent, restrain, or correct any
51 violation of this Article. The Commissioner or his designee, upon showing proper credentials

1 and in discharge of his duties pursuant to this Article may, at reasonable times and without
2 advance notice, enter and inspect any facility within the State in which there is reasonable
3 cause to suspect that electrical materials, devices, appliances, or equipment not in conformance
4 with the requirements of this Article are being sold, offered for sale, assigned, or disposed of by
5 gift, as premiums, or in any other similar manner. (1989, c. 681, s. 1; 1997-456, s. 27.)