

Legislative Bill 889, adopted on April 18, 2026, becomes effective on July 18, 2026.

Important excerpts read as follows:

Section 1. Section 81-2118, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

The holder of a license or registration may renew the license beginning October 1 through November 30 of even-numbered years upon payment of the license or registration fee. The holder of a license or registration during the late renewal period may renew the license or registration from December 1 through December 31 of even-numbered years, upon payment of the license or registration fee plus ten percent of the renewal fee. All holders of expired licenses or registrations shall apply for a new license or registration.

Sec. 2. Section 81-2143, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

81-2143 (1) It shall be a **Class IV felony** to knowingly and willfully commit or order, instruct, or direct another to commit any of the following acts:

(a) To make a false statement in any license application, request for inspection, certificate, or other lawfully authorized or required form or statement provided by the State Electrical Act;

(b) To perform electrical work for another without a proper license for such work while claiming to have such license;

(c) To fail to file a request for inspection when required;

(d) To interfere with or refuse entry to an inspector lawfully engaged in the performance of his or her duties;

(e) To fail or neglect to comply with the act or any lawful rule, regulation, or order of the board.

(2) Subdivision (1)(b) of this section shall not be construed to prohibit a person from performing electrical work for such person's parent, stepparent, spouse, descendant, grandparent, brother, sister, cousin, uncle, or aunt, whether of the whole or half blood or by adoption or marriage without a license.