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SAFETY RECOMMENDATIONS:
This injury could have been prevented had the helper realized the danger his finger was in. With something as simple as a small 6" stick to stabilize the door, the helper's finger would have remained out of harm's way. Communication between the electrician and his helper could have prevented this type of accident.

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