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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the contractors
2 licensing board is authorized to determine and create a
3 classification system of contractors that is consistent with
4 established procedure in the construction business. The field
5 and scope of a contractor's operations are limited based on the
6 type of license a contractor holds. There are three types of
7 licenses: "A" general engineering contractor; "B" general
8 building contractor; and "C" specialty contractor.

9 The legislature further finds that the board is further
10 authorized to determine and create various specialty
11 classifications through administrative rules. Pursuant to
12 section 16-77-32, Hawaii Administrative Rules, the board has
13 determined that "A" general engineering contractors
14 automatically hold seventeen subcontractor specialty licenses
15 and "B" general building contractors automatically hold ten
16 subcontractor licenses without further examination or additional
17 fees.



1 The purpose of this Act is to:

2 (1) Require a general building contractor on construction
3 projects involving more than four, rather than two,
4 unrelated building trades or crafts; and

5 (2) Authorize a specialty contractor to take and execute a
6 construction contract involving two or more crafts or
7 trades without requiring the performance of the work
8 to be incidental and supplemental.

9 SECTION 2. Section 444-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

11 "(c) A general building contractor is a contractor whose
12 principal contracting business is in connection with any
13 structure built, being built, or to be built, for the support,
14 shelter, and enclosure of persons, animals, chattels, or movable
15 property of any kind, requiring in its construction the use of
16 more than [~~two~~] four unrelated building trades or crafts, or to
17 do or superintend the whole or any part thereof."

18 SECTION 3. Section 444-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

20 "(c) This section shall not prohibit a specialty
21 contractor from taking and executing a contract involving the



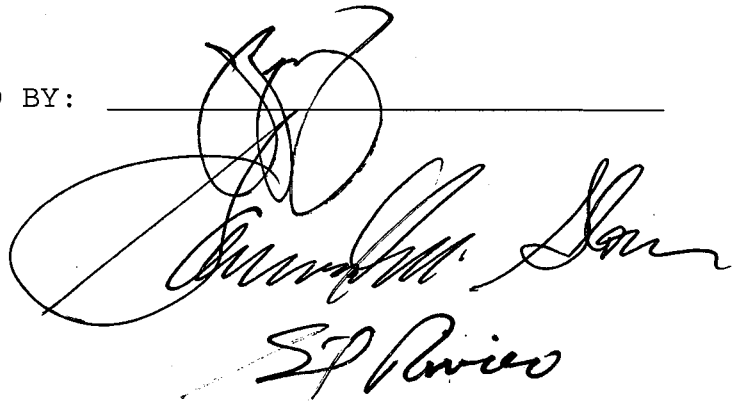
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1 use of two or more crafts or trades [~~, if the performance of the~~
2 ~~work in the crafts or trades, other than in which the specialty~~
3 ~~contractor is licensed, is incidental and supplemental to the~~
4 ~~performance of work in the craft for which the specialty~~
5 ~~contractor is licensed]."~~

6 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
7 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

8 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Contractors; General Building Contractors; Specialty Contractors

Description:

Requires a general building contractor on construction projects involving more than four, rather than two, unrelated building trades or crafts. Allows a specialty contractor to take and execute a construction contract involving two or more crafts or trades without requiring the performance of the work to be incidental and supplemental.

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