

May 15, 2003

H 1305. HOMEBUILDER RESPONSIBILITY. TO STRENGTHEN THE LAWS REGULATING GENERAL CONTRACTORS AND TO INCREASE THE LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONTRACTORS. Amends GS 87-1 to change cost of undertaking from \$30,000 or more to \$15,000 or more to be considered general contractor. Amends GS 87-11 to allow State Licensing Board for General Contractors to take disciplinary action for violation of Building Code that creates substantial risk of personal injury or substantial property damage or for failure to take corrective action ordered by Board. Modifies fees in GS 87-15.6(b). Adds new Art. 1B to GS Ch. 87 to require Board to develop and implement minimum experience requirements for applicants for licensure as general contractors and minimum liability insurance. Creates Construction Defects Litigation Study Comm'n with duties and membership as specified in bill. Requires comm'n to file final report before convening of 2005 legislative session. Appropriates \$20,000 from General Fund to Legislative Services Comm'n for each year of 2003-2005 biennium for Comm'n expenses. Effective Jan. 1, 2004.

Intro. by Earle.

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