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STATE CONTRACTORS' BOARD

MINUTES OF THE MEETING APRIL 4, 2001

The meeting of the State Contractors' Board was called to order by Chairman Kim Gregory at 8:35 a.m., Wednesday, April 4, 2001 at the State Contractors' Board, Las Vegas, Nevada and teleconferenced to Reno, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Meeting Agenda.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Kim Gregory - Chairman
Ms. Margaret Cavin
Mr. Jerry Higgins
Mr. Dennis Johnson
Mr. Randy Schaefer
Mr. Mike Zech

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Douglas W. Carson

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Margi Grein, Executive Officer
Mr. Dennis Haney, Legal Counsel (Haney, Woloson & Mullins)
Mr. Robert Griffy, Legal Counsel (Haney, Woloson & Mullins)
Mr. David Reese, Legal Counsel (Cook, Roberts & Reese)
Ms. Nancy Mathias, Licensing Administrator
Mr. George Lyford, Director of Special Investigations Unit
Mr. Frank Torres, Assistant Director of Investigations
Ms. Kathy Stewart, Licensing Supervisor, Reno
Ms. Jeanne Reynolds, Recording Secretary

Ms. Grein stated that Frank Torres had posted the agenda in compliance with the Open Meeting Law on March 30, 2001 at the Washoe County Court House, Washoe County Library and Reno City Hall. In addition, it had been posted in both offices of the Board, Las Vegas and Reno, and on the Board's Internet web page.

Ms. Grein explained that Senate Bill 516, one of the major constructional defect proposals, is scheduled to be heard by the Senate Commerce Committee on Thursday, April 5, 2001 at 7:00 A.M. The proposed bill would require the Contractors' Board to review all construction defect claims before any court action can be taken. It requires the Board to complete its investigation of a claim within 30 days and issue an "advisory opinion" concerning the claim within two weeks after the investigation is completed. It also includes unlicensed contractors within the jurisdiction.

Mr. Haney and Mr. Reese explained the legal ramifications of the legislation if it passed in its present form. Mr. Gregory expressed his concern that the legislation should not fall within the Board's jurisdiction since it is outside the realm of the Board's expertise and legislative mandate. Mr. Gregory stated that a mechanism already exists for workmanship

and warranty issues to be heard by the Board through the complaint procedures. Typically construction defect cases are driven by sources other than a homeowner.

MR. JOHNSON MOVED TO OPPOSE SENATE BILL 516.

MS. CAVIN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Ms. Grein reported on the status of several pieces of legislation that could impact the Board. She indicated AB 392, a proposal to reduce license fees, has been "killed" in committee; SB 355 and SB 379, proposals to require the Division of Industrial Relations to certify electricians and plumbers, appear to be postponed indefinitely; SB 337, a proposal to provide for the regulation of boilers, elevators, pressure vessel, boiler inspectors and elevator mechanics has been amended to pertain to elevators only; SB 63, pertaining to bidders preference has been amended, however, the amendments have not been published, SB 216, concerning swimming pool contractors is scheduled for another hearing on April 5 at 4:00 P.M. and SB 274, the prompt pay proposal will be heard April 4 at 3:30 P.M.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the general public was present to speak for or against any items on the agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Gregory at 9:10 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Reynolds, Recording Secretary

APPROVED:

Margi Grein, Executive Officer

Kim Gregory, Chairman

