



General Assembly

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Amendment

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Offered by:

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 6615

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Cal. No. 104

(As Amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

**"AN ACT ESTABLISHING CONSUMER PROTECTIONS FOR
HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR FINANCED PROGRAMS."**

1 After section 2, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 3. Section 20-426 of the general statutes is repealed and the
3 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

4 (a) The commissioner may revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or
5 renew any certificate of registration as a home improvement contractor
6 or [salesman] or salesperson or place a registrant on probation or issue
7 a letter of reprimand for: (1) Conduct of a character likely to mislead,
8 deceive or defraud the public or the commissioner; (2) engaging in any
9 untruthful or misleading advertising; (3) failing to reimburse the
10 guaranty fund established pursuant to section 20-432 for any moneys
11 paid to an owner pursuant to subsection (o) of section 20-432; (4)
12 unfair or deceptive business practices; or (5) violation of any of the

13 provisions of the general statutes relating to home improvements or
14 any regulation adopted pursuant to any of such provisions. The
15 commissioner may revoke, suspend or refuse to issue or renew any
16 certificate of registration as a home improvement contractor or
17 salesperson of any person subject to the registration requirements of
18 chapter 969.

19 (b) The commissioner shall not revoke or suspend any certificate of
20 registration or require the posting of a bond except upon notice and
21 hearing in accordance with chapter 54.

22 Sec. 4. Section 20-494 of the general statutes is repealed and the
23 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

24 (a) The board may, by majority vote of the entire board and upon a
25 finding of any cause specified in subsection (c) of section 21a-9:

26 (1) Revoke, suspend or refuse to issue a home inspector license or
27 home inspector intern permit;

28 (2) Issue a letter of reprimand to a home inspector and send a copy
29 of such letter to a complainant or to a state or local official;

30 (3) Place a home inspector on probationary status and require the
31 home inspector to report regularly to the board on the matter that is
32 the basis for probation;

33 (4) Limit the home inspector's practice to areas prescribed by the
34 board; or

35 (5) Order a home inspector to continue or renew the home
36 inspector's education until the home inspector has attained a
37 satisfactory level of competence in any area that is the basis for
38 probation.

39 (b) By majority vote of the entire board and upon a finding that a
40 person applying for, renewing or holding a home inspector license or
41 home inspector intern permit is subject to the registration

42 requirements of chapter 969, the board may revoke, suspend or refuse
43 to issue a home inspector license or home inspector intern permit.

44 [(b)] (c) The board may discontinue, suspend or rescind any action
45 taken under [subsection] subsections (a) or (b) of this section."