



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5149

January Session, 2013



AN ACT REQUIRING THE COMMISSIONER OF CONSUMER PROTECTION TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY REGARDING HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTORS AND LANDSCAPERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2013*) (a) The Commissioner of Consumer
2 Protection shall conduct a study regarding: (1) Home improvement
3 contractors registered pursuant to chapter 400 of the general statutes,
4 and (2) landscapers.

5 (b) The study conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
6 shall include, but not be limited to, (1) whether home improvement
7 contractors should be tested and licensed, instead of registered, by the
8 Department of Consumer Protection, (2) whether landscapers should
9 be licensed, (3) what problems, if any, exist with the current system of
10 registration of home improvement contractors, (4) a survey of how
11 other states permit or license home improvement contractors and
12 landscapers, and (5) recommendations, if any, for improvement of the
13 current system of registration of home improvement contractors in this
14 state.

15 (c) Not later than July 1, 2014, the Commissioner of Consumer
16 Protection, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes,
17 shall report the results of the study conducted pursuant to subsection
18 (a) of this section to the joint standing committee of the General

19 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to consumer
20 protection and occupational licensing.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	New section
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