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AN ACT to amend and reenact §21-11-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to clarifying that contractors must have a state contractors license in order to submit a bid with the State of West Virginia.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §21-11-6 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

## ARTICLE 11. WEST VIRGINIA CONTRACTOR LICENSING ACT.

#### §21-11-6. Necessity for license; exemptions.

- 1 (a) No person may engage in this state in any act as a
- 2 contractor, or submit a bid to perform work as a contractor,
- 3 as defined in this article, unless such person holds a license

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- 4 issued under the provisions of this article. No firm,
- 5 partnership, corporation, association or other entity shall
- 6 engage in contracting in this state unless an officer thereof
- 7 holds a license issued pursuant to this article.
- 8 (b) Any person to whom a license has been issued under 9 this article shall keep the license or a copy thereof posted in a conspicuous position at every construction site where work 10 is being done by the contractor. The contractor's license 11 12 number shall be included in all contracting advertisements 13 and all fully executed and binding contracts. Any person 14 violating the provisions of this subsection shall be subject, 15 after hearing, to a warning, a reprimand, or a fine of not more 16 than two hundred dollars.
  - (c) Except as otherwise provided in this code, the following are exempt from licensure:
  - (1) Work done exclusively by employees of the United States Government, the State of West Virginia, a county, municipality or municipal corporation, and any governmental subdivision or agency thereof;
  - (2) The sale or installation of a finished product, material or article or merchandise which is not actually fabricated into and does not become a permanent fixed part of the structure;
  - (3) Work performed personally by an owner or lessee of real property on property the primary use of which is for agricultural or farming enterprise;
- (4) A material supplier who renders advice concerning
   use of products sold and who does not provide construction
   or installation services;
- 33 (5) Work performed by a public utility company 34 regulated by the West Virginia Public Service Commission 35 and its employees;

36 (6) Repair work contracted for by the owner of the 37 equipment on an emergency basis in order to maintain or 38 restore the operation of such equipment;

- (7) Work performed by an employer's regular employees, for which the employees are paid regular wages and not a contract price, on property owned or leased by the employer which is not intended for speculative sale or lease;
- 43 (8) Work personally performed on a structure by the owner or occupant thereof; and
  - (9) Work performed when the specifications for such work have been developed or approved by engineering personnel employed by the owner of a facility by registered professional engineers licensed pursuant to the laws of this state when the work to be performed because of its specialized nature or process cannot be reasonably or timely contracted for within the general area of the facility.

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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Chairman Senate Committee
Chairman House Committee
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Clerk of the House of Delegates  Of Londin'  President of the Senate
Speaker of the House of Delegates
The within is approved this the 20th day of March 2007.
Governor

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