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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires the Construction Contractors Board to create an alternative to the required contractor bond for nonprofit organizations rehabilitating illegal drug manufacturing sites.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Alternatives to bonds, such as a letter of credit or cash deposit
- The effects of illegal drug manufacturing sites on the community and surrounding property values
- How community groups undertake the rehabilitation of illegal drug manufacturing sites

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Nonprofit organizations involved in the rehabilitation of homes that were former methamphetamine manufacturing sites have had difficulty meeting contractor bond requirements. If the nonprofit buys the home, it can become the general contractor and then hire or use bonded volunteer contractors to do the rehabilitation. House Bill 2309 facilitates rehabilitation and community development by allowing alternatives to current bonding requirements for the nonprofit. Alternatives listed in the measure include an equivalent letter of credit or a cash deposit. Under the measure, the Construction Contractors Board is given rulemaking authority to develop such alternatives to bonding for the nonprofit.