

Amendments to SB 1571:

Both gut the bill and would still only apply to restoration companies that work on restoring property from catastrophic man-made or natural disaster such as fire, flood, or crime scene.

The first amendment would:

1. Require that restoration companies must be licensed with the CCB. We found that most good-acting restoration companies are already licensed with CCB, but many restoration companies that only do cleaning services have avoided CCB licensure.
2. If they may charge a consumer more than \$2000, they must provide the consumer with a contract that includes the CCB license number, as well as a cost estimate *or* rate for services
3. Prohibit solicitation within 1000 feet of disaster within 48 hours. This does not include:
 - a. If they are called to scene by consumer or the consumer's insurance company
 - b. If they are soliciting board up services **and** they have agreement with a government entity. Defined board-up services as those needed to secure the property and immediate public safety.
4. Give consumer 3 day right to rescind contract with restoration company to restore personal property damaged by catastrophic man-made or natural disaster. Cannot waive right. This 3 day right is already given by good-acting restoration companies under a home sales law, but it is waivable under that law.

The second amendment only gives the right to rescind the contract. It would be a 5-day right to rescind that is only waivable if you give a good faith estimate of the total cost. The contract becomes void, however, if you are not given the right to rescind notice when signing the contract. If the actual prices goes over the cost estimate, then a new contract is required to reflect the new total cost estimate.