Requested by Representative SMITH G

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4020

- On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 27.
- On page 2, delete lines 1 through 30 and insert:
- "SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, 'major residential contractor' means a residential contractor that is:
- 5 "(a) A general contractor; and

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- "(b) A company that offers securities registered with the United

  States Securities and Exchange Commission for sale to the general

  public.
  - "(2)(a) A major residential contractor may not, in a contract to remodel or repair an owner-occupied one-family or two-family residential structure with a contract price that exceeds \$40,000, collect or retain more than 50 percent of the original contract price before substantial completion of the remodeling or repair.
  - "(b) If a property owner agrees in writing to contract changes that result in a net increase in the original contract price of \$20,000 or more, the major residential contractor may collect and retain not more than 50 percent of the contract price increase.
- "(3) This section does not prohibit a major residential contractor from retaining properly collected amounts after a contract price decrease. Subject to subsection (4) of this section, this section does not prevent a major residential contractor from obtaining payment for

completed construction work from a property owner that unreasonably withholds approval and acceptance.

- "(4) If a major residential contractor believes that a property owner 3 has unreasonably withheld approval and acceptance of properly com-4 pleted construction work, the major residential contractor may file a 5 request with the Construction Contractors Board for mediation of the 6 dispute. The major residential contractor may initiate an action or 7 suit or pursue other available remedies to collect the balance of the 8 moneys due under a contract described in subsection (2) of this section 9 only if: 10
- "(a) The property owner refuses a board offer to mediate the dispute; or
  - "(b) The board declares after reasonable effort that the board cannot resolve the dispute by mediation.
  - "(5) The board may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section.".

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