HOUSE BILL No. 5948

June 11, 1992, Introduced by Reps. Gire, Scott, Bartnik, DeBeaussaert, Porreca and Hollister and referred to the Committee on Social Services and Youth.

A bill to amend sections 11 and 16 of Act No. 192 of the Public Acts of 1984, entitled

"Forbes mechanical contractors act,"

section 11 as amended by Act No. 5 of the Public Acts of 1990, being sections 338.981 and 338.986 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Sections 11 and 16 of Act No. 192 of the Public
- 2 Acts of 1984, section 11 as amended by Act No. 5 of the Public
- 3 Acts of 1990, being sections 338.981 and 338.986 of the Michigan
- 4 Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 11. (1) The department may investigate the activities
- 6 of a licensee related to the licensee's activities as a
- 7 contractor. The department may hold hearings, administer oaths,
- 8 and order relevant testimony to be taken and shall report its

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- 1 findings to the board. The board shall proceed under section 16
- 2 if the board finds that any of the following grounds exist:
- 3 (a) The practice of fraud or deceit in obtaining a license
 4 under this act.
- 5 (b) The practice of fraud or deceit in the performance of 6 work for which a license is required under this act.
- 7 (c) An act of gross negligence.
- 8 (d) The practice of false advertising.
- 9 (e) An act which demonstrates incompetence.
- (f) A violation of this act or rule promulgated under this
 11 act.
- 12 (2) The board, upon recommendation of the department, shall
- 13 suspend or revoke the license of any person whose failure to pay
- 14 a lien claimant results in a payment being made from the home-
- 15 owner construction lien recovery fund pursuant to the construc-
- 16 tion lien act, Act No. 497 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sec-
- 17 tions 570.1101 to 570.1305 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. The
- 18 license shall not be renewed, -nor shall AND THE DEPARTMENT
- 19 SHALL NOT ISSUE a new license -be-issued until the person whose
- 20 license has been suspended or revoked under this subsection has
- 21 repaid in full to the fund the amount paid out plus the costs of
- 22 litigation and interest at the rate set by section 6013 of the
- 23 revised judicature act of 1961, Act No. 236 of the Public Acts of
- 24 1961, being section 600.6013 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 25 (3) The department shall conduct a review upon notice by the
- 26 department of public health that the licensee has violated the
- 27 asbestos abatement contractors licensing act, Act No. 135 of the

- 1 Public Acts of 1986, being sections 338.3101 to 338.3319 of the
- 2 Michigan Compiled Laws, or sections 57 to -68f- 60D of the
- 3 Michigan occupational safety and health act, Act No. 154 of the
- 4 Public Acts of 1974, being sections 408.1057 to -408.1060£-
- 5 408.1060D of the Michigan Compiled Laws and may suspend or revoke
- 6 that person's license for a knowing violation of those acts.
- 7 (4) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (5), UPON RECEIPT OF A NOTICE FROM
- 8 THE OFFICE OF THE FRIEND OF THE COURT STATING THAT AN INDIVIDUAL
- 9 LICENSEE IS AT LEAST 6 MONTHS IN ARREARS OF SUPPORT, THE BOARD
- 10 SHALL SUSPEND THE LICENSE OR REGISTRATION OF AN INDIVIDUAL AFTER
- 11 ALL OF THE FOLLOWING OCCUR:
- 12 (A) THE DEPARTMENT SENDS A NOTICE FOR A HEARING TO BE SCHED-
- 13 ULED NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE THE NOTICE IS SENT TO
- 14 THE INDIVIDUAL'S ADDRESS AS INDICATED IN THE DEPARTMENT'S
- 15 RECORDS.
- 16 (B) THE LICENSEE FAILS TO PRESENT PROOF ACCEPTABLE TO THE
- 17 BOARD THAT THE ARREARAGE HAS BEEN PAID.
- 18 (5) IF AT THE HEARING THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT EXTREME
- 19 HARDSHIP TO THE INDIVIDUAL OR PERSONS THE INDIVIDUAL SERVES WOULD
- 20 BE CREATED BY THE SUSPENSION, THE BOARD SHALL NOT SUSPEND THE
- 21 LICENSE AND SHALL CONDITION THE HOLDING OF THE LICENSE UPON COM-
- 22 PLIANCE WITH THE SUPPORT ORDER.
- 23 (6) THE ONLY ISSUES TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE BOARD ARE
- 24 WHETHER THE INDIVIDUAL IS THE HOLDER OF A LICENSE AND WHETHER THE
- 25 INDIVIDUAL HAS PRESENTED PROOF ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD THAT
- 26 ARREARAGE HAS BEEN PAID.

- 1 (7) -(4) A revocation, suspension, or other sanction set
- 2 forth in -subsection (3) THIS SECTION or section 16 shall be
- 3 imposed only after a hearing has been conducted pursuant to the
- 4 administrative procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public
- 5 Acts of 1969, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan
- 6 Compiled Laws.
- 7 (8) -(5) The installation, alteration, or servicing of
- 8 heating, cooling, ventilating, or refrigerating equipment or sys-
- 9 tems shall not be performed under a license that has been sus-
- 10 pended, revoked, or has expired. A license, other than a license
- 11 issued under this act, shall not be recognized for securing per-
- 12 mits to install, alter, or service heating, cooling, ventilating,
- 13 or refrigerating equipment or systems.
- 14 Sec. 16. After finding the existence of 1 or more of the
- 15 grounds for board action described in section 11(1) and after an
- 16 opportunity for a hearing, the board, except as provided in sec-
- 17 tion 11(2), (3), AND (4), shall impose 1 or more of the following
- 18 sanctions for each violation:
- (a) Suspension of the license issued under this act.
- 20 (b) Denial of the license required under this act.
- 21 (c) Revocation of the license issued under this act.
- (d) A requirement that restitution be made.