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Sponsor Committee Sen. Glenn Steil EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS, TRAINING AND SAFETY

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State Fiscal Impact Local Fiscal Impact

CostIndeterminate/DecreaseCostNoneRevenuesNoneRevenuesNone

The bill amends the Occupational Code to establish standards and procedures for administrative proceedings regarding workmanship complaints against residential builders. Included in the bill is a provision which prohibits the department from initiating a proceeding against a licensee who contractually provides for an alternative dispute resolution process that has not been utilized or completed except under certain circumstances outlined in the bill. This provision could forseeably reduce costs to the state to the extent that the provision reduces the caseload for such proceedings facing the Department of Consumer and Industry Services (DCIS). Another provision requires the DCIS to send certified mail copies of verified complaints to both the complainant and the affected licensee. This provision would impose minor costs on the department. However, these costs would likely be met out of existing resources.