

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

648

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 25, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 365
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, to which was referred H.B. No. 365 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTRACTORS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to amend the contractor licensing "handyman exemption," which exempts contracts where the price of labor, materials, taxes, and other items is not more than \$1,000. This bill exempts only those contracts where the price of labor exclusive of materials, taxes, and all other items is less than \$1,600.

The Hawaii Association of REALTORS® testified in support of this bill. The Contractors License Board, Hawaii Developers' Council, Hawaii Lumber Products Association, Subcontractors Association of Hawaii, Building Industry Association of Hawaii, Sheet Metal Contractors Association, Maui Contractors Association, Commercial Roofing & Waterproofing Hi, Inc., Allied Pacific Builders, Honolulu Roofing Company Inc., and David's Custom Roofing and Painting testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Providing that the handyman exemption covers contracts where the cost of labor exclusive of materials, taxes and other items, is \$1,000; and

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- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 365, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 365, H.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Consumer
Protection & Commerce,



ROBERT N. HERKES, Chair



