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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 444-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "**§444-9 Licenses required.** (a) No person within the  
4 purview of this chapter shall act, or assume to act, or  
5 advertise, as a general engineering contractor, general building  
6 contractor, or specialty contractor without a license previously  
7 obtained under and in compliance with this chapter and the rules  
8 and regulations of the contractors license board.

9           (b) In reviewing applications for licensure, the  
10 contractors license board shall not consider unlicensed  
11 experience in the State or in any other state as a qualification  
12 for licensing. If an applicant for licensure resided in a state  
13 or foreign jurisdiction that lacks an established contractor  
14 licensing system or cannot furnish conclusive evidence of prior  
15 licensing in another jurisdiction, the board shall consider the  
16 applicant's previous unlicensed work as a qualification for  
17 licensure; provided that the board reasonably determines that



1 the applicant has gained sufficient experience within the State  
2 prior to submitting the application for licensure."

3 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that  
4 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were  
5 begun before its effective date.

6 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



**Report Title:**

Contractors License; Contractors License Board; State Presence;  
Unlicensed Experience

**Description:**

Prohibits the contractors license board from considering unlicensed experience as a qualification for licensure, with certain exceptions. Requires contractors or their responsible managing employees to be present within the State for certain designated time periods throughout the contract term. Effective July 1, 2112. (HB1162 HD1)

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