## HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 427 by Representative Guinn

CONTRACTORS: Repeals exemption to licensing requirement for contractors bidding work partially funded by the federal government

## **Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Decreases the length of time a residential building contractor is required to be licensed prior to applying for inactive license status <u>from</u> fifteen years <u>to</u> one year.

## Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> authorizes any residential building contractor licensee in good standing with the State Licensing Board for Contractors who has held a license to engage in residential building construction issued pursuant to <u>present law</u> for not less than 15 consecutive years to elect to place his license in an inactive license status with the board, provided he applies for a transfer to inactive status.

<u>Proposed law</u> decreases the length of time a residential building contractor licensee is required to be licensed prior to applying for inactive status <u>from</u> 15 years <u>to</u> one year.

Present law provides that persons bidding work partially funded by the federal government, if a federal regulation or law prohibits the requirement of a contractor's license, are not required to have a license issued by the State Licensing Board for Contractors; however, the successful bidder shall apply for a license and meet all requirements of the law and rules and regulations of the board prior to commencement of work.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Amends R.S. 37:2167.1(A); Repeals R.S. 37:2157(A)(6))