

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: RCS 03/10/2009

The Committee on Regulated Industries (Deutch) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete line 206

and insert:

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Professional Regulation. Department of Business and Professional Regulation investigators and inspectors perform an important regulatory function, which may result in the investigators and inspectors entering places of business or residences of victims, witnesses, licensees, or other individuals who are under investigation by the agency. In many instances, the individuals under investigation risk possible sanctions including the loss

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of their livelihood. As a result, the individuals are not always willing participants in the investigation and have retaliated against the investigators and inspectors. The Department of Business and Professional Regulation has documented reports of intimidation, threats of violence, and other abuse. The investigators and inspectors reported incidents where they were both threatened on the job and at their personal residences. Therefore, the harm that might result