

By Senator Jones

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Pinellas County
3 Construction Licensing Board; amending s. 11,
4 chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended;
5 providing that certain definitions in general
6 law which relate to contracting also apply to
7 the board; providing that specified definitions
8 in chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended,
9 shall remain as rules of the board, subject to
10 amendment by it; providing for severability;
11 providing an effective date.

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13 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that the Pinellas
14 County Construction Licensing Board has in the past, pursuant
15 to authority granted by special act, created specialty
16 contractor licensure classifications that were in turn
17 incorporated by the Legislature into the board's enabling
18 legislation, and

19 WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes that, as the
20 construction industry is constantly changing through time to
21 include new techniques, materials, and standards being used,
22 licensure classifications need to change concurrently to
23 provide for those new techniques, materials, and standards and
24 prevent unintended or ridiculous results, and

25 WHEREAS, the clear goal of the Legislature in creating
26 the board was to obtain and maintain consistency within
27 construction contracting licensure throughout Pinellas County,
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29 WHEREAS, since the initial passage of the board's
30 enabling legislation, the Legislature has added two other
31 contractor definitions in general law which, in the interest

1 of consistency, should be added to the board's enabling
2 legislation, and

3 WHEREAS, since the initial passage of the board's
4 enabling legislation, the definitions of contractor
5 classifications have changed in general law but those changes
6 have not been incorporated into that enabling legislation,
7 NOW, THEREFORE,

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Section 11 of chapter 75-489, Laws of
12 Florida, as amended by chapters 78-594, 81-466, 85-490,
13 86-444, 89-504, 93-387, 2002-350, and 2003-319, Laws of
14 Florida, is amended to read:

15 (Substantial rewording of section. See s. 11,
16 chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended,
17 for present text.)

18 Section 11. DEFINITIONS.--The definitions found in
19 sections 489.105(3) and (6) and 489.505(1), (2), (9), and
20 (12), Florida Statutes, as they may be amended from time to
21 time, apply to this entire act.

22 Section 2. Notwithstanding the amendment of section 11
23 of chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, by this act, the
24 definitions found in section 11(1)(k), (l), and (r)-(z), (2),
25 and (3) of that act as those paragraphs and subsections
26 existed before the effective date of this act shall remain as
27 rules of the Pinellas County Construction Licensing Board and
28 may be amended by the board according to the powers granted to
29 it in chapter 75-489, Laws of Florida, as amended.

30 Section 3. If any provision of this act or its
31 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the

1 invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of
2 the act which can be given effect without the invalid
3 provision or application, and to this extent the provisions of
4 this act are declared severable.

5 Section 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a
6 law.

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