

1                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to local oversight of contractors;  
 3           amending s. 489.105, F.S.; providing a definition;  
 4           amending s. 489.113, F.S.; providing powers and duties of  
 5           local enforcement boards relating to certified  
 6           contractors; providing an effective date.

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 8   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10           Section 1. Subsection (20) is added to section 489.105,  
 11   Florida Statutes, to read:

12           489.105 Definitions.--As used in this part:  
 13           (20) "Local enforcement board" means a local board that  
 14           exercises disciplinary control and oversight over locally  
 15           licensed contractors under s. 489.131(10).

16           Section 2. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section  
 17   489.113, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

18           489.113 Qualifications for practice; restrictions.--  
 19           (4)

20           (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a), a  
 21   local construction regulation board or local enforcement board  
 22   may deny, suspend, or revoke the authority of a certified  
 23   contractor to obtain a building permit or limit such authority  
 24   to obtaining a permit or permits with specific conditions, if  
 25   the local construction regulation board or local enforcement  
 26   board has found such contractor, through the public hearing  
 27   process, to be guilty of fraud or a willful building code  
 28   violation within the county or municipality that the local

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29 | construction regulation board or local enforcement board  
30 | represents or if the local construction regulation board or  
31 | local enforcement board has proof that such contractor, through  
32 | the public hearing process, has been found guilty in another  
33 | county or municipality within the past 12 months, of fraud or a  
34 | willful building code violation and finds, after providing  
35 | notice of an opportunity to be heard to the contractor, that  
36 | such fraud or violation would have been fraud or a violation if  
37 | committed in the county or municipality that the local  
38 | construction board or local enforcement board represents.  
39 | Notification of and information concerning such permit denial  
40 | shall be submitted to the department within 15 days after the  
41 | local construction regulation board or local enforcement board  
42 | decides to deny the permit.

43 | Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007.