Regular Session, 2012

### HOUSE BILL NO. 25

### BY REPRESENTATIVE HENRY BURNS

| 1  | AN ACT                                                                                    |
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| 2  | To amend and reenact R.S. 37:2171 and to enact R.S. 37:2156.1(N), 2158(A)(11), and        |
| 3  | 2175.3(A)(9), relative to certain state contractors' licenses; to provide for an          |
| 4  | exemption from certain examination requirements for licensed arborists; to provide        |
| 5  | requirements for certain state contractors' licenses; to require possession of insurance  |
| 6  | required by federal law; and to provide for related matters.                              |
| 7  | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:                                            |
| 8  | Section 1. R.S. 37:2171 is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 37:2156.1(N),            |
| 9  | 2158(A)(11), and 2175.3(A)(9) are hereby enacted to read as follows:                      |
| 10 | §2156.1. Requirements for issuance of a license                                           |
| 11 | * * *                                                                                     |
| 12 | N.(1) Any arborist who currently holds a valid state license issued pursuant              |
| 13 | to R.S. 3:3804 shall be exempt from any requirement herein for passage of an              |
| 14 | additional examination in the landscaping, grading, and beautification                    |
| 15 | subclassification and may bid and perform the arborist work described in R.S.             |
| 16 | <u>3:3808(A)(1)(a) statewide after making application to the board for such exemption</u> |
| 17 | on a form prepared by the board.                                                          |
| 18 | (2) Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to permit arborists to                  |
| 19 | recommend or execute arborist work without first complying with the licensure             |
| 20 | provisions of Chapter 24 of Title 3 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S.       |
| 21 | <u>3:3801 et seq.</u>                                                                     |
| 22 | * * *                                                                                     |

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| 1  | §2158. Revocation, suspension, and renewal of licenses; issuance of cease and            |
| 2  | desist orders; debarment; criminal penalty                                               |
| 3  | A. The board may revoke any license issued hereunder, or suspend the right               |
| 4  | of the licensee to use such license, or refuse to renew any such license, or issue cease |
| 5  | and desist orders to stop work, or debar any person or licensee, for any of the          |
| 6  | following causes:                                                                        |
| 7  | * * *                                                                                    |
| 8  | (11) Failing to possess any insurance required by federal law.                           |
| 9  | * * *                                                                                    |
| 10 | §2171. Prohibited activities                                                             |
| 11 | No person shall hold himself out as a Louisiana licensed residential building            |
| 12 | contractor unless he holds an active license as such pursuant to the provisions of this  |
| 13 | Chapter, and possesses any insurance required by federal law.                            |
| 14 | * * *                                                                                    |
| 15 | §2175.3. Home improvement contracting; prohibited acts; violations                       |
| 16 | A. The following acts are prohibited by persons performing home                          |
| 17 | improvement contracting services:                                                        |
| 18 | * * *                                                                                    |
| 19 | (9) Failing to possess any insurance required by federal law.                            |
| 20 | * * *                                                                                    |

## SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

### GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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