## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 359–ASSEMBLYMAN THOMPSON

## MARCH 20, 2017

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Exempts certain persons who enter into contracts or agreements with the State of Nevada or a political corporation or subdivision of the State from certain provisions relating to contractors. (BDR 54-643)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets {omitted material} is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to contractors; exempting certain persons who enter into contracts or agreements with the State or a political corporation or subdivision of this State from certain provisions relating to contractors; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that chapter 624 of NRS, which provides for the licensing and regulation of contractors, does not apply to work performed by an authorized representative of the State of Nevada or an incorporated city, county, irrigation district, reclamation district, or other municipal or political corporation or subdivision of this State. (NRS 624.031) This bill expands this exemption to include a person who enters into a contract with the State of Nevada, or any such political corporation or subdivision of this State, to perform work to maintain or repair property and who directs work performed by a licensed contractor.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 624.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 624.031 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:

3 1. Work performed exclusively by an authorized representative 4 of the United States Government, the State of Nevada, or an 5 incorporated city, county, irrigation district, reclamation district, or 6 other municipal or political corporation or subdivision of this State.





1 2. Any person who enters into a contract or other agreement 2 with the State of Nevada, or an incorporated city, county, 3 irrigation district, reclamation district, or other municipal or political corporation or subdivision of this State, to perform work 4 to repair or maintain property, including, without limitation, 5 6 weatherization and energy efficiency services, and who directs 7 work performed by a person licensed pursuant to this chapter.

8 3. An officer of a court when acting within the scope of his or 9 her office.

10 [3.] 4. Work performed exclusively by a public utility operating pursuant to the regulations of the Public Utilities 11 Commission of Nevada on construction, maintenance and 12 13 development work incidental to its business.

14 [4.] 5. An owner of property who is building or improving a 15 residential structure on the property for his or her own occupancy 16 and not intended for sale or lease. The sale or lease, or the offering 17 for sale or lease, of the newly built structure within 1 year after its 18 completion creates a rebuttable presumption for the purposes of this 19 section that the building of the structure was performed with the intent to sell or lease that structure. An owner of property who 20 requests an exemption pursuant to this subsection must apply to the 21 22 Board for the exemption. The Board shall adopt regulations setting 23 forth the requirements for granting the exemption.

24 **[5.]** 6. Any work to repair or maintain property the value of 25 which is less than \$1,000, including labor and materials, unless: (a) A building permit is required to perform the work;

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27 (b) The work is of a type performed by a plumbing, electrical, 28 refrigeration, heating or air-conditioning contractor;

29 (c) The work is of a type performed by a contractor licensed in a classification prescribed by the Board that significantly affects the 30 31 health, safety and welfare of members of the general public;

(d) The work is performed as a part of a larger project:

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(1) The value of which is \$500 or more: or

(2) For which contracts of less than \$500 have been awarded 34 35 to evade the provisions of this chapter; or

36 (e) The work is performed by a person who is licensed pursuant 37 to this chapter or by an employee of that person.

38 **[6.]** 7. The sale or installation of any finished product, material 39 or article of merchandise which is not fabricated into and does not 40 become a permanent fixed part of the structure.

41 **7. 8.** The construction, alteration, improvement or repair of 42 personal property.

43 The construction, alteration, improvement or repair <del>[8.]</del> 9. 44 financed in whole or in part by the Federal Government and





conducted within the limits and boundaries of a site or reservation,
 the title of which rests in the Federal Government.

3 [9.] 10. An owner of property, the primary use of which is as 4 an agricultural or farming enterprise, building or improving a 5 structure on the property for his or her use or occupancy and not 6 intended for sale or lease.

7 [10.] 11. Construction oversight services provided to a longterm recovery group by a qualified person within a particular 8 9 geographic area that is described in a proclamation of a state of 10 emergency or declaration of disaster by the State or Federal Government, including, without limitation, pursuant to NRS 11 414.070. A long-term recovery group may reimburse such 12 13 reasonable expenses as the qualified person incurs in providing 14 construction oversight services to that group. Except as otherwise 15 provided in this subsection, nothing in this subsection authorizes a 16 person who is not a licensed contractor to perform the acts described 17 in paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 624.700. As used 18 in this subsection:

(a) "Construction oversight services" means the coordinationand oversight of labor by volunteers.

(b) "Long-term recovery group" means a formal group of
volunteers coordinating response and recovery efforts related to a
state of emergency or disaster that is proclaimed or declared by the
State or Federal Government.

(c) "Qualified person" means a person who possesses the
abilities, education, experience, knowledge, skills and training that a
long-term recovery group has identified as being necessary to
provide construction oversight services for a project to be performed
by that group.

30 **11.** A person licensed as a real estate broker, real estate 31 broker-salesperson or real estate salesperson pursuant to chapter 645 32 of NRS who, acting within the scope of the license or a permit to 33 engage in property management issued pursuant to NRS 645.6052, 34 assists a client in scheduling work to repair or maintain residential 35 property pursuant to a written brokerage agreement or a property 36 agreement. Such assistance includes, without management 37 limitation, assisting a client in the hiring of any number of licensed 38 contractors to perform the work. Nothing in this subsection 39 authorizes the performance of any work for which a license is 40 required pursuant to this chapter by a person who is not licensed 41 pursuant to this chapter or the payment of any additional compensation to a person licensed as a real estate broker, real estate 42 43 broker-salesperson or real estate salesperson for assisting a client in 44 scheduling the work. The provisions of this subsection apply only if 45 a building permit is not required to perform the work and if the





value of the work does not exceed \$10,000 per residential property 1 during the fixed term of the written brokerage agreement, if the 2 assistance is provided pursuant to such an agreement, or during a 3 period not to exceed 6 months if the assistance is provided pursuant 4 5 to a property management agreement. As used in this subsection:

6 (a) "Brokerage agreement" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 645.005. 7

(b) "Property management agreement" has the meaning ascribed 8 to it in NRS 645.0192. 9

(c) "Real estate broker" has the meaning ascribed to it in 10 NRS 645.030. 11

(d) "Real estate broker-salesperson" has the meaning ascribed to 12 13 it in NRS 645.035.

14 (e) "Real estate salesperson" has the meaning ascribed to it in 15 NRS 645.040.

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(f) "Residential property" means:

(1) Improved real estate that consists of not more than four 17 18 residential units; or

19 single-family residential (2) A unit. including а condominium, townhouse or home within a subdivision, if the unit 20 is sold, leased or otherwise conveyed unit by unit, regardless of 21 whether the unit is part of a larger building or parcel that consists of 22 23 more than four units

Sec. 2. NRS 645.6051 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 645.6051 1. A person licensed pursuant to this chapter as a real estate broker, real estate broker-salesperson or real estate 26 27 salesperson shall maintain a record of all work performed on a 28 residential property that the person assists a client in scheduling 29 pursuant to subsection [11] 12 of NRS 624.031.

30 2. The record required by subsection 1 must include, without 31 limitation:

(a) The name of any person licensed pursuant to chapter 624 of 32 33 NRS who performs such work;

34 (b) The date on which the work was performed; 35

(c) A copy of any written contract to perform the work; and

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(d) A copy of any invoice prepared in connection with the work.

As used in this section, "residential property" has the 37 3. 38 meaning ascribed to it in NRS 624.031.

**Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017. 39





