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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CONTRACTORS: Provides relative to licensed home contractors

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1477(D), relative to home inspection licensure; to provide for

contractors obtaining a home inspector license; to provide for training hours needed

to obtain a home inspection license; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 37:1477(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1477. Qualifications for licensure; application; fees

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D. Beginning July 1, 2001, any Any person filing an initial application for licensure shall present evidence to the board that he has satisfactorily completed at least one hundred twenty hours of instruction. Those who are licensed as home contractors shall complete at least ninety hours of instruction. At least thirty, but not more than forty, of the required hours shall be obtained in course work containing actual practical home inspections. Licensed home contractors are not required to participate in thirty hours of practical home inspections. The remainder of the instruction must shall be classroom hours in home inspection classwork approved by the board. Satisfactory completion includes attendance of specified hours and passage of an examination on course contents.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes the amount of training hours needed to obtain a home inspector license.

<u>Present law</u> requires that all those obtaining a home inspector license shall complete 120 hours of instruction and at least 30 hours, and not more than 40 hours, of practical home inspections.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that those who are already licensed as home contractors shall complete 90 hours of instruction and are not required to complete practical home inspections in order to obtain a home inspector license.

(Amends R.S. 37:1477(D))