SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HORTICULTURE. Provides an exception for certain contractors to the licensure requirements of the Horticulture Commission. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Add a cap on the total land size of the repair work must cover less than 5,000 square feet instead of a dollar cap.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 3:3801 et seq.) creates the Horticulture Commission which regulates the following professions:

(1) Arborist.

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- (2) Retail florist.
- (3) Wholesale florist.
- (4) Landscape horticulturist.
- (5) Landscape architect.
- (6) Utility arborist.
- (7) Landscape irrigation contractors.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits a person from receiving fees for engaging in a regulated profession, or advertising as engaged in a regulated profession, or soliciting business in a regulated profession, unless the person holds a valid, appropriate license issued by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry, or has a regular employee who holds a valid appropriate license issued by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry, or is employed by or is working under the direct supervision of a person who holds a valid appropriate license issued by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts a licensed contractor that is performing repair work within a right-of-way that covers less than 5,000 sq. ft. from the licensure requirements of <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "repair work" as the restoration or replacement of sod disrupted during the course of performing work within the scope of a construction contract or permit.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 3:3816(8))