

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 2612

Short Title: Threshold for General Contractor's License. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Earle, Weiss, Glazier (Primary Sponsors); Justice, Bell, Carney, Howard, Johnson, Lucas, Saunders, Sherrill, and Wright.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

May 25, 2006

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO LOWER THE CONSTRUCTION COST THRESHOLD
2 REQUIREMENT FOR A GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 87-1 reads as rewritten:

5 **"§ 87-1. "General contractor" defined; exceptions.**

6 For the purpose of this Article any person or firm or corporation who for a fixed
7 price, commission, fee, or wage, undertakes to bid upon or to construct or who
8 undertakes to superintend or manage, on his own behalf or for any person, firm, or
9 corporation that is not licensed as a general contractor pursuant to this Article, the
10 construction of any building, highway, public utilities, grading or any improvement or
11 structure where the cost of the undertaking is ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~
12 ~~ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)~~ five thousand dollars (\$5,000) or more, or undertakes to erect
13 a North Carolina labeled manufactured modular building meeting the North Carolina
14 State Building Code, shall be deemed to be a "general contractor" engaged in the
15 business of general contracting in the State of North Carolina.

16 This section shall not apply to persons or firms or corporations furnishing or erecting
17 industrial equipment, power plan equipment, radial brick chimneys, and monuments.

18 This section shall not apply to any person or firm or corporation who constructs or
19 alters a building on land owned by that person, firm or corporation provided such
20 building is intended solely for occupancy by that person and his family, firm, or
21 corporation after completion; and provided further that, if such building is not occupied
22 solely by such person and his family, firm, or corporation for at least 12 months
23 following completion, it shall be presumed that the person, firm, or corporation did not
24 intend such building solely for occupancy by that person and his family, firm, or
25 corporation. This section shall not apply to any person engaged in the business of
26 farming who constructs or alters a building on land owned by that person and used in
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1 the business of farming, when such building is intended for use by that person after
2 completion."

3 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2007.