

# Licensing and Legislative Committee Meetings

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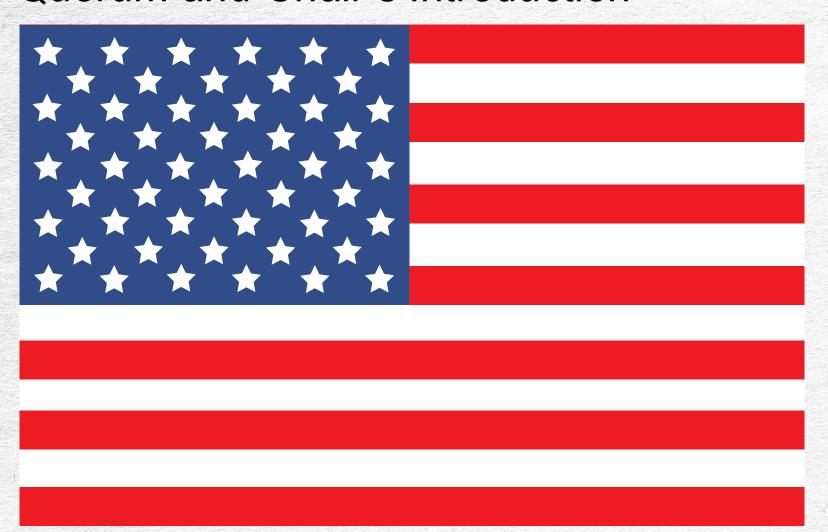
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### Agenda Item A

Call to Order, Roll Call, Establishment of Quorum and Chair's Introduction





### Agenda Item B

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### Agenda Item C

Strategic Plan Item 1.6 - Identify and educate licensees on the need to maintain current certifications to promote proper installations.

#### Goals:

- Identify certifications
- Add to study guides
- Educate licensees
- Add to Industry Bulletins and webinar



#### Required certifications of everyone in the trade:

- DOSH Registration for C-22
- HUD Registration for C-47
- BSIS Locksmith for C-28 and D-16

#### Others required for most, but not all of the trade:

- DIR certification for C-10
- EPA Universal Refrigerant for C-20 and C-38
- Elevator Certification for C-11
- HAZWOPER HAZ certified contractors



Trade association certifications and other training:

- Not required for the whole trade
- Often directed to technicians not contractors
- Manufacturers will require to install their product



Staff recommendation:

Add a statement to the license history page for every license that holds the classification.

"This license may also be registered with this other agency. Please click here to search for their registration."

The website statement would be linked to the classification.



Also add certification information to the following for candidates' knowledge:

- Study guides
- Application instructions
- Get Licensed to Build webinar
- Industry Bulletins
- Newsletter articles
- Social media posts



### Agenda Item D

### **Background for B-2 Residential Remodeling**

Applicants applied to the B General Building and were rejected for no structural experience.

Unlicensed handypersons were doing small jobs in multiple trades (replacing cabinets, changing plumbing fixtures, painting, repairing doors, etc.) and could not qualify for a license.



#### **B-2** Residential Remodeling Restrictions

- (2) A residential remodeling contractor shall not contract to make structural changes to load bearing portions of an existing structure, including, but not limited to, footings, foundations, load bearing walls, partitions, and roof structures.
- (3) (A) The residential remodeling contractor shall not contract to install, replace, substantially alter, or extend electrical, mechanical, or plumbing systems or their component parts, or the mechanisms or devices that are part of those systems, unless the residential remodeling contractor holds the appropriate license classification or subcontracts with an appropriately licensed contractor.



## Agenda Item D (cont.) B-2 Allowable Practice

- (a) A residential remodeling contractor is a contractor whose principal contracting business is in connection with any project to make improvements to, on, or in an existing residential wood frame structure, and the project requires the use of at least three unrelated building trades or crafts for a single contract.
- (b) (1) A residential remodeling contractor may take a prime contract for trades or crafts which may include, but is not limited to, the following:
- (A) Drywall. (B) Finish carpentry. (C) Flooring. (D) Insulation. (E) Painting. (F) Plastering. (G) Roof repair. (H) Siding. (I) Tiling.
- (J) Installing, repairing, or replacing electrical fixtures, such as dimmers, fans, lights, outlets, and switches.
- (K) Installing, repairing, or replacing plumbing fixtures, such as faucets, sinks, toilets, and tubs.
- (L) Installing, repairing, or replacing mechanical fixtures, such as air filters, air delivery and return grills, and preassembled exhaust fans.

For the full statute, please see: BPC Section 7057.5



## Agenda Item D (cont.) B-General Building Trade Requirements

- (a) Except as provided in this section, a general building contractor is a contractor whose principal contracting business is in connection with any **structure built**, **being built**, **or to be built**, **for the support**, **shelter**, **and enclosure of persons**, animals, chattels, or movable property of any kind, requiring in its construction the use of at least two unrelated building trades or crafts, or to do or superintend the whole or any part thereof. . .
- (b) A general building contractor may take a prime contract or a subcontract for a **framing** or carpentry project. However, a general building contractor shall not take a prime contract for any project involving trades other than framing or carpentry unless the prime contract requires at least two unrelated building trades or crafts other than framing or carpentry, or unless the general building contractor holds the appropriate license classification or subcontracts with an appropriately licensed contractor to perform the work. . .

For the full statute, please see: BPC Section 7057



## Agenda Items D (cont.) DCA Legal Action

"An applicant for a general contractor's license must possess the framing/rough carpentry and two other unrelated trades. To allow otherwise ... is not consistent with the purpose of licensing..."

Someone could apply with plumbing and flooring and get a license to build homes with no experience in carpentry or framing.



## Agenda Item D (cont.) B-2 First Advertised April 21

"The B-2 classification provides a pathway to licensure for many unlicensed people who are currently working on remodeling and small home improvement projects that don't qualify for a B-General Building License because the contracted work does not include framing or rough carpentry."



## Agenda item D (cont.) Dilemma

The B-2 specifically excludes any structural, load-bearing work.

The B requires (per 2018 policy memo)
Rough Framing Requirement

"The applicant must demonstrate experience with structures built, being built, or to be built, for the support, shelter and enclosure of persons, animals, chattels, or movable property of any kind that regularly include a framing or rough carpentry component and the use of at least two unrelated building trades or crafts."



## Agenda Item D (cont.) Do the B-2 Licensees Want a Pathway?

- Approximately 1,300 B-2 licenses issued since 2021
- 74 licensees have both a B and B-2



## Agenda Item D (cont.) B-2 Survey

- 1. Why did you choose to apply for a B-2 Residential Remodeling license?
- To do remodeling work lawfully
- To do three or more unrelated trades
- Did not meet requirements for B General building
- To qualify for lower insurance rates
- To expand my career as an interior designer
- To gain experience that would qualify me for a B- General Building license
- Other

(continued...)



**B-2 Survey (cont.)** 

2. Are you satisfied with what you are currently doing as a B-2 or do you want to expand to the B General building trade?

If yes — survey ends
If no

3. Do you understand the requirements to add a B classification to your license?



### Nevada's Solution – Restricted B-7 License

- 2 years of experience, training programs, or other reciprocal experience
- Bond of at least \$2,000
- Improvements on existing, detached, standalone single-family residences not above 3 stories above the ground and 1 story below the ground.
- Improvements must be within the footprint of the existing structure.
- This is a restricted license good for 2 years.
- They do not have to take a trade exam.
- They do have to take a business class before they can be licensed
- There is a \$7,000 limit to the jobs they can do.



#### Recommendations

- To monitor the Neveda restricted B-7 license to see if it is beneficial.
- To create a new B class certification, a B-3, that would require a trade exam, Law and Business exam, contractors bond, etc. and allow B-2 licensees and other trades to do limited structural work to gain the experience needed for a B. Experience would like things like garages, sheds, patio covers, etc. Not houses.



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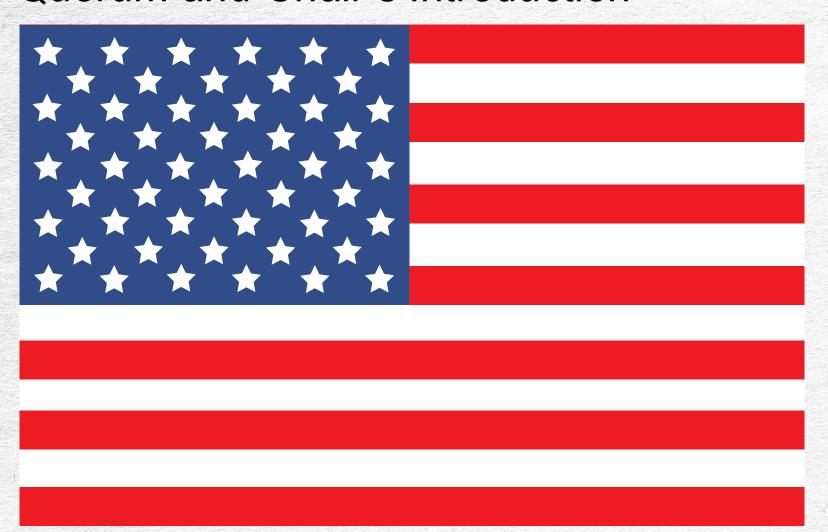
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### Agenda Item C

Update and Discussion Regarding CSLB's 2025-2027 Strategic Plan

Objective 3.1: Improve communication to legislators to convey CSLB's mission and stress the importance of licensure

- Lending CSLB support to legislative bills
- Legislative visits
- Senior Scam Stopper events
- NASCLA Conference panel discussion



### Agenda Item D

Review and Discussion Regarding Identifying Resource Requirements to Support a Workers' Compensation Exemption Audit Process

- SB 291 (Chapter 455, Statutes of 2025) update.
- Identify how CSLB can sufficiently audit licensees to determine if they qualify for a workers' compensation exemption.
- Identify how audit workload will be funded.



### Agenda Item E

Review and Discussion Regarding 2026 Proposed Legislation: Require Hazardous Substance Certification to Conduct Debris Removal in a Declared Disaster Area

- SB 641 (Ashby, 2025) update.
- Legislative Proposal:
  - Provides that only an A-General
     Engineering Contractor, B-General Building
     Contractor, or C-12 Earthwork <u>and</u> Paving and C-22 Building/Moving Demolition can perform debris removal.



#### (continued)

 Requires contractors conducting debris removal in a declared federal, state, or local emergency or for a declared disaster area due to a natural disaster must have CSLB's hazardous substance certification and comply with HAZWOPER requirements.



## Agenda Item F

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