

SENATE BILL NO. 358—SENATOR SCHNEIDER

MARCH 19, 2007

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the fiduciary duties of contractors. (BDR 54-995)

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

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to contractors; providing that contractors, subcontractors, laborers and suppliers of material have a fiduciary duty to their clients; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law provides for the rights, duties and liabilities under certain
2 agreements for works of improvement to real estate. (NRS 624.606-624.630) This
3 bill provides that each contractor, subcontractor, laborer, supplier of material and
4 any other person who enters into an agreement to provide work, materials or
5 equipment to improve a single-family residence has a fiduciary duty to the owner of
6 the residence with respect to certain dealings with a third party.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 624 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 ***Each prime contractor, subcontractor, laborer, supplier of
4 materials or other person who enters into an oral or written
5 agreement to provide work, materials or equipment for a work of
6 improvement to a single-family residence has a fiduciary duty to
7 the owner of the residence with respect to any dealings with a third
8 party which relate to the improvement of the residence.***

9 **Sec. 2.** NRS 624.606 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 624.606 As used in NRS 624.606 to 624.630, inclusive, ***and***
11 ***section 1 of this act,*** the words and terms defined in NRS 624.607



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1 to 624.6086, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those
2 sections.

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