

Amendment No. 640

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 421 Proposed by: Assembly Committee on Judiciary Amendment Box: Replaces Amendment Nos. 401, 569. Amends: Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	(BDR 3-841)
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 421—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

MARCH 25, 2019

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to construction. (BDR 3-841)

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 construction; revising the definition of “constructional defect”; revising provisions relating to the information required to be included in a notice of a constructional defect; removing provisions requiring the presence of ~~[a claimant and]~~ an expert during an inspection of an alleged constructional defect; ~~[revising]~~ establishing provisions relating to a claimant pursuing a claim under a ~~[homeowner’s]~~ builder’s warranty; revising provisions governing the tolling of statutes of limitation and repose regarding actions for constructional defects; revising provisions relating to the recovery of damages proximately caused by a constructional defect; increasing the period during which an action for the recovery of certain damages may be commenced; ~~[removing]~~ revising the prohibition against a unit-owners’ association pursuing an action for a constructional defect unless the action pertains exclusively to the common elements of the association; ~~[requiring licensed contractors and applicants for the issuance or renewal of a contractor’s license to obtain and provide proof of liability insurance;]~~ and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Section 1 of this bill revises the existing definition of “constructional defect” to provide that a constructional defect is a defect which: (1) is done in violation of law ~~[+] and is reasonably likely to cause personal injury or property damage;~~ (2) proximately causes physical damage to the residence, appurtenance or real property to which the residence or appurtenance is affixed; (3) is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with the generally accepted standard of care in the industry ~~[+] and is reasonably likely to cause personal injury or property damage;~~ or (4) presents an unreasonable risk of injury to a person or property.

Existing law provides that before a claimant commences an action or amends a complaint to add a cause of action for a constructional defect against a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional, the claimant: (1) is required to give written notice to the contractor; and (2) if the contractor is no longer licensed or acting as a contractor in this State, is authorized to give notice to any subcontractor, supplier or design professional known to the claimant who may be responsible for the constructional defect. Existing law also requires that

such a notice ~~[include certain information.]~~ identify in specific detail each defect, damage and injury to each residence or appurtenance that is the subject of the claim. (NRS 40.645) **Section 2** of this bill ~~[revises the information that must be included in]~~ instead requires that such a notice ~~[.]~~ specify in reasonable detail the defects or any damages or injuries to each residence or appurtenance that is the subject of the claim.

Existing law requires that after notice of a constructional defect is given by a claimant to a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional, the claimant and, if the notice includes an expert opinion concerning the alleged constructional defect, the expert or his or her representative with knowledge of the alleged defect must: (1) be present when a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional conducts an inspection of the alleged constructional defect; and (2) identify the exact location of each alleged constructional defect. (NRS 40.647) **Section 3** of this bill removes ~~[such requirements.]~~ the requirement that an expert who provided an opinion concerning the alleged constructional defect or his or her representative be present at an inspection and revises certain other requirements.

Existing law provides that if a residence or appurtenance that is the subject of a claim is covered by a homeowner's warranty purchased by or on behalf of the claimant: (1) the claimant is prohibited from sending notice of a constructional defect or pursuing a claim for a constructional defect unless the claimant has submitted a claim under the homeowner's warranty and the insurer has denied the claim; and (2) notice of a constructional defect may only include claims that were denied by the insurer. (NRS 40.650) **Section 4** of this bill removes such provisions ~~and~~ ~~[instead]~~ section 1.5 of this bill replaces the term "homeowner's warranty" with "builder's warranty" and clarifies that such a warranty is not a type of insurance. Section 4 provides that if a residence or appurtenance that is the subject of a claim is covered by a ~~[homeowner's]~~ builder's warranty, ~~[purchased by or on behalf of the claimant,]~~ the claimant is required to diligently pursue a claim under the ~~[homeowner's]~~ builder's warranty. Section 5.5 of this bill makes conforming changes.

Existing law also provides that if a residence or appurtenance that is the subject of a claim is covered by a homeowner's warranty purchased by or on behalf of the claimant, statutes of limitation or repose are tolled from the time the claimant submits a claim under the homeowner's warranty until 30 days after the insurer rejects the claim, in whole or in part. (NRS 40.650) **Section 4** removes this provision. Existing law additionally provides that, unless good cause is shown to a court to toll the statute of limitation or repose for a longer period, statutes of limitation or repose applicable to a claim based on a constructional defect are tolled from the time notice of the claim is given until the earlier of: (1) 1 year after notice of the claim is given; or (2) 30 days after mediation is concluded or waived in writing. (NRS 40.695) **Section 6** of this bill revises such provisions and provides that such statutes of limitation or repose are tolled from the time notice of claim is given until 30 days after mediation is concluded or waived in writing.

Existing law establishes the damages proximately caused by a constructional defect that a claimant is authorized to recover, including additional costs reasonably incurred by the claimant for constructional defects proven by the claimant. (NRS 40.655) **Section 5** of this bill removes the requirement that such costs be limited to constructional defects proven by the claimant. ~~[Section 5 additionally authorizes a claimant to recover reasonable attorney's fees.]~~

Existing law prohibits an action for the recovery of certain damages against the owner, occupier or any person performing or furnishing the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction, or the construction of an improvement to real property, from being commenced more than 6 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement. (NRS 11.202) **Section 7** of this bill increases such a period to ~~[10]~~ 8 years after the substantial completion of such an improvement. **Section 7** also authorizes such an action to be commenced at any time after the substantial completion of such an improvement if any intentional act caused a deficiency in the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction or the construction of such an improvement ~~[is the result of willful misconduct or fraudulent concealment.]~~ that was fraudulently concealed.

Existing law prohibits a unit-owners' association from instituting, defending or intervening in litigation or in arbitration, mediation or administrative proceedings in its own name on behalf of itself or units' owners relating to an action for a constructional defect unless the action pertains exclusively to common elements. (NRS 116.3102) **Section 8** of this bill ~~[removes such a prohibition.]~~

~~Section 9 of this bill requires a contractor licensed pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS or an applicant for an original or renewal license under that chapter to obtain, maintain and provide proof of insurance, with coverage having specified limits of liability for claims for injury to persons or damage to property which may arise from or in connection with the work of the contractor or applicant or his or her agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors.] requires that such an action for a constructional defect pertain to common elements or any portion of the common-interest community that the association owns or has an obligation to maintain, repair or replace.~~

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

Section 1. NRS 40.615 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40.615 "Constructional defect" means a defect in the design, construction, manufacture, repair or landscaping of a new residence, of an alteration of or addition to an existing residence, or of an appurtenance and includes, without limitation, the design, construction, manufacture, repair or landscaping of a new residence, of an alteration of or addition to an existing residence, or of an appurtenance:

1. Which ~~is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner and~~ presents an unreasonable risk of injury to a person or property; or is done in violation of law, including, without limitation, in violation of local codes or ordinances ~~that~~, and is reasonably likely to cause personal injury or property damage;

2. Which ~~is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner and~~ proximately causes physical damage to the residence, an appurtenance or the real property to which the residence or appurtenance is affixed ~~that~~;

3. ~~Which is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with the generally accepted standard of care in the industry for that type of design, construction, manufacture, repair or landscaping that~~ is not completed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with the generally accepted standard of care in the industry for that type of design, construction, manufacture, repair or landscaping ~~that~~ and is reasonably likely to cause personal injury or property damage; or

4. ~~Which presents an unreasonable risk of injury to a person or property.~~

Sec. 1.5. NRS 40.625 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40.625 ~~["Homeowner's"] "Builder's warranty" means a warranty for policy of insurance;~~

~~1. Issued~~ issued or purchased by or on behalf of a contractor for the protection of a claimant. ~~for~~

~~2. Purchased by or on behalf of a claimant pursuant to NRS 690B.100 to 690B.180, inclusive.~~

~~3. The term includes:~~

1. Includes a warranty contract issued by or on behalf of a contractor whose liability pursuant to the warranty contract is subsequently insured by a risk retention group that operates in compliance with chapter 695E of NRS and insures all or any part of the liability of a contractor for the cost to repair a constructional defect in a residence.

2. Does not include a policy of insurance for home protection as defined in NRS 690B.100 or a service contract as defined in NRS 690C.080.

Sec. 2. NRS 40.645 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40.645 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 40.670, before a claimant commences an action or amends a complaint to add a cause of action for a constructional defect against a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional, the claimant:

(a) Must give written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the contractor, at the contractor's address listed in the records of the State Contractors' Board or in the records of the office of the county or city clerk or at the contractor's last known address if the contractor's address is not listed in those records; and

(b) May give written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, to any subcontractor, supplier or design professional known to the claimant who may be responsible for the constructional defect, if the claimant knows that the contractor is no longer licensed in this State or that the contractor no longer acts as a contractor in this State.

2. The notice given pursuant to subsection 1 must:

(a) Include a statement that the notice is being given to satisfy the requirements of this section;

(b) ~~Identify~~ *Specify* in ~~specific~~ *reasonable* detail ~~each defect, damage and injury~~ *the defects or any damages or injuries* to each residence or appurtenance that is the subject of the claim ~~including, without limitation, the exact location of each such defect, damage and injury;~~ *;* ~~and~~

(c) Describe in reasonable detail the cause of the defects if the cause is known and the nature and extent that is known of the damage or injury resulting from the defects ~~;~~ *;* ~~and~~

(d) Include a signed statement, by each named owner of a residence or appurtenance in the notice, that each such owner verifies that each such defect, damage and injury specified in the notice exists in the residence or appurtenance owned by him or her. If a notice is sent on behalf of a homeowners' association, the statement required by this paragraph must be signed under penalty of perjury by a member of the executive board or an officer of the homeowners' association.

3. A representative of a homeowners' association may send notice pursuant to this section on behalf of an association if the representative is acting within the scope of the representative's duties pursuant to chapter 116 or 117 of NRS.

4. Notice is not required pursuant to this section before commencing an action if:

(a) The contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional has filed an action against the claimant; or

(b) The claimant has filed a formal complaint with a law enforcement agency against the contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional for threatening to commit or committing an act of violence or a criminal offense against the claimant or the property of the claimant.

Sec. 3. NRS 40.647 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40.647 1. After notice of a constructional defect is given pursuant to NRS 40.645, before a claimant may commence an action or amend a complaint to add a cause of action for a constructional defect against a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional, the claimant must:

(a) Allow an inspection of the alleged constructional defect to be conducted pursuant to NRS 40.6462; ~~and~~

(b) Be present or have a representative of the claimant present at an inspection conducted pursuant to NRS 40.6462 and, to the extent possible, reasonably identify the exact location of each alleged constructional defect, defects, damages or injuries specified in the notice; ; ~~and, if the notice includes an expert opinion concerning the alleged constructional defect, the expert, or a representative of the expert who has knowledge of the alleged constructional defect, must also be present at the inspection and identify the exact location of each alleged constructional defect for which the expert provided an opinion; ;~~ and

1 (c) Allow the contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional a
2 reasonable opportunity to repair the constructional defect or cause the defect to be
3 repaired if an election to repair is made pursuant to NRS 40.6472.

4 2. If a claimant commences an action without complying with subsection 1 or
5 NRS 40.645, the court shall:

6 (a) Dismiss the action without prejudice and compel the claimant to comply
7 with those provisions before filing another action; or

8 (b) If dismissal of the action would prevent the claimant from filing another
9 action because the action would be procedurally barred by the statute of limitations
10 or statute of repose, the court shall stay the proceeding pending compliance with
11 those provisions by the claimant.

12 **Sec. 4.** NRS 40.650 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 40.650 1. If a claimant unreasonably rejects a reasonable written offer of
14 settlement made as part of a response pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of
15 NRS 40.6472 and thereafter commences an action governed by NRS 40.600 to
16 40.695, inclusive, the court in which the action is commenced may:

17 (a) Deny the claimant's attorney's fees and costs; and

18 (b) Award attorney's fees and costs to the contractor.

19 ➤ Any sums paid under a ~~homeowner's~~ builder's warranty, other than sums paid
20 in satisfaction of claims that are collateral to any coverage issued to or by the
21 contractor, must be deducted from any recovery.

22 2. If a contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional fails to:

23 (a) Comply with the provisions of NRS 40.6472;

24 (b) Make an offer of settlement;

25 (c) Make a good faith response to the claim asserting no liability;

26 (d) Agree to a mediator or accept the appointment of a mediator pursuant to
27 NRS 40.680; or

28 (e) Participate in mediation,

29 ➤ the limitations on damages and defenses to liability provided in NRS 40.600 to
30 40.695, inclusive, do not apply and the claimant may commence an action or amend
31 a complaint to add a cause of action for a constructional defect without satisfying
32 any other requirement of NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive.

33 3. If a residence or appurtenance that is the subject of the claim is covered by
34 a ~~homeowner's~~ builder's warranty ~~[that is purchased by or on behalf of a claimant~~
35 ~~pursuant to NRS 690B.100 to 690B.180, inclusive:]~~

36 ~~—(a) A claimant may not send a notice pursuant to NRS 40.645 or pursue a claim~~
37 ~~pursuant to NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive, unless the claimant has first submitted~~
38 ~~a claim under the homeowner's warranty and the insurer has denied the claim.~~

39 ~~—(b) A claimant may include in a notice given pursuant to NRS 40.645 only~~
40 ~~claims for the constructional defects that were denied by the insurer.~~

41 ~~—(c) , a claimant shall diligently pursue a claim under the [contract. If~~
42 ~~coverage under a homeowner's warranty is denied by an insurer in bad faith, the~~
43 ~~homeowner and the contractor, subcontractor, supplier or design professional have~~
44 ~~a right of action for the sums that would have been paid if coverage had been~~
45 ~~provided, plus reasonable attorney's fees and costs.~~

46 ~~—(d) Statutes of limitation or repose applicable to a claim based on a~~
47 ~~constructional defect governed by NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive, are tolled from~~
48 ~~the time notice of the claim under the homeowner's warranty is submitted to the~~
49 ~~insurer until 30 days after the insurer rejects the claim, in whole or in part, in~~
50 ~~writing.] builder's warranty.~~

51 4. Nothing in this section prohibits an offer of judgment pursuant to Rule 68
52 of the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure or NRS 40.652.

1 **Sec. 5.** NRS 40.655 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 40.655 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 40.650, in a claim governed
3 by NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive, the claimant may recover only the following
4 damages to the extent proximately caused by a constructional defect:

5 (a) The reasonable cost of any repairs already made that were necessary and of
6 any repairs yet to be made that are necessary to cure any constructional defect that
7 the contractor failed to cure and the reasonable expenses of temporary housing
8 reasonably necessary during the repair;

9 (b) The reduction in market value of the residence or accessory structure, if
10 any, to the extent the reduction is because of structural failure;

11 (c) The loss of the use of all or any part of the residence;

12 (d) The reasonable value of any other property damaged by the constructional
13 defect;

14 (e) Any additional costs reasonably incurred by the claimant, ~~for~~
15 ~~constructional defects proven by the claimant,~~ including, but not limited to, any
16 costs and fees incurred for the retention of experts to:

17 (1) Ascertain the nature and extent of the constructional defects;

18 (2) Evaluate appropriate corrective measures to estimate the value of loss
19 of use; and

20 (3) Estimate the value of loss of use, the cost of temporary housing and the
21 reduction of market value of the residence; ~~and~~

22 (f) Any interest provided by statute ~~and~~

23 ~~(g) Any reasonable attorney's fees.~~

24 2. If a contractor complies with the provisions of NRS 40.600 to 40.695,
25 inclusive, the claimant may not recover from the contractor, as a result of the
26 constructional defect, any damages other than damages authorized pursuant to NRS
27 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive.

28 3. This section must not be construed as impairing any contractual rights
29 between a contractor and a subcontractor, supplier or design professional.

30 4. As used in this section, "structural failure" means physical damage to the
31 load-bearing portion of a residence or appurtenance caused by a failure of the load-
32 bearing portion of the residence or appurtenance.

33 **Sec. 5.5. NRS 40.687 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

34 40.687 Notwithstanding any other provision of law:

35 1. A ~~claimant shall, within 10 days after commencing an action against a~~
36 ~~contractor, disclose to the contractor all information about any homeowner's~~
37 ~~warranty that is applicable to the claim.~~

38 ~~2. The~~ contractor shall, no later than 10 days after a response is made
39 pursuant to this chapter, disclose to the claimant any information about insurance
40 agreements that may be obtained by discovery pursuant to rule 26(b)(2) of the
41 Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure. Such disclosure does not affect the admissibility
42 at trial of the information disclosed.

43 ~~[3.] 2.~~ Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[4.] 3.~~ if ~~[either party] the~~
44 ~~contractor~~ fails to provide the information required pursuant to subsection 1 ~~for 2]~~
45 within the time allowed, the ~~[either party] claimant~~ may petition the court to compel
46 production of the information. Upon receiving such a petition, the court may order
47 the ~~[party] contractor~~ to produce the required information and may award the
48 ~~[petitioning party] claimant~~ reasonable attorney's fees and costs incurred in
49 petitioning the court pursuant to this subsection.

50 ~~[4.] 3.~~ The parties may agree to an extension of time ~~for the contractor~~ to
51 produce the information required pursuant to this section.

52 ~~[5.] 4.~~ For the purposes of this section, "information about insurance
53 agreements" is limited to any declaration sheets, endorsements and contracts of

insurance issued to the contractor from the commencement of construction of the residence of the claimant to the date on which the request for the information is made and does not include information concerning any disputes between the contractor and an insurer or information concerning any reservation of rights by an insurer.

Sec. 6. NRS 40.695 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40.695 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsections~~ **subsection 2**, ~~and 3~~ statutes of limitation or repose applicable to a claim based on a constructional defect governed by NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive, are tolled from the time notice of the claim is given, until ~~the earlier of:~~

~~— (a) One year after notice of the claim is given; or~~
~~— (b) Thirty~~ **30** days after mediation is concluded or waived in writing pursuant to NRS 40.680.

2. ~~Statutes of limitation and repose may be tolled under this section for a period longer than 1 year after notice of the claim is given only if, in an action for a constructional defect brought by a claimant after the applicable statute of limitation or repose has expired, the claimant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the court that good cause exists to toll the statutes of limitation and repose under this section for a longer period.~~

~~3.~~ Tolling under this section applies to a third party regardless of whether the party is required to appear in the proceeding.

Sec. 7. NRS 11.202 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11.202 1. No action may be commenced against the owner, occupier or any person performing or furnishing the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction, or the construction of an improvement to real property more than ~~6~~ **8** years after the substantial completion of such an improvement, for the recovery of damages for:

(a) ~~Any~~ **Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any** deficiency in the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction or the construction of such an improvement;

(b) Injury to real or personal property caused by any such deficiency; or

(c) Injury to or the wrongful death of a person caused by any such deficiency.

2. **An action may be commenced against the owner, occupier or any person performing or furnishing the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction, or the construction of an improvement to real property at any time after the substantial completion of such an improvement, for the recovery of damages for any intentional act in causing a deficiency in the design, planning, supervision or observation of construction or the construction of such an improvement ~~which is the result of his or her willful misconduct or~~ which he or she fraudulently concealed.**

3. The provisions of this section do not apply:

(a) To a claim for indemnity or contribution.

(b) In an action brought against:

(1) The owner or keeper of any hotel, inn, motel, motor court, boardinghouse or lodging house in this State on account of his or her liability as an innkeeper.

(2) Any person on account of a defect in a product.

Sec. 8. NRS 116.3102 is hereby amended to read as follows:

116.3102 1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and subject to the provisions of the declaration, the association:

(a) Shall adopt and, except as otherwise provided in the bylaws, may amend bylaws and may adopt and amend rules and regulations.

(b) Shall adopt and may amend budgets in accordance with the requirements set forth in NRS 116.31151, may collect assessments for common expenses from the units' owners and may invest funds of the association in accordance with the requirements set forth in NRS 116.311395.

(c) May hire and discharge managing agents and other employees, agents and independent contractors.

(d) May institute, defend or intervene in litigation or in arbitration, mediation or administrative proceedings in its own name on behalf of itself or two or more units' owners on matters affecting the common-interest community. The association may not institute, defend or intervene in litigation or in arbitration, mediation or administrative proceedings in its own name on behalf of itself or units' owners with respect to an action for a constructional defect pursuant to NRS 40.600 to 40.695, inclusive, unless the action pertains ~~exclusively~~ to common elements ~~[-] or any portion of the common-interest community that the association owns or has an obligation to maintain, repair or replace.~~

(e) May make contracts and incur liabilities. Any contract between the association and a private entity for the furnishing of goods or services must not include a provision granting the private entity the right of first refusal with respect to extension or renewal of the contract.

(f) May regulate the use, maintenance, repair, replacement and modification of common elements.

(g) May cause additional improvements to be made as a part of the common elements.

(h) May acquire, hold, encumber and convey in its own name any right, title or interest to real estate or personal property, but:

(1) Common elements in a condominium or planned community may be conveyed or subjected to a security interest only pursuant to NRS 116.3112; and

(2) Part of a cooperative may be conveyed, or all or part of a cooperative may be subjected to a security interest, only pursuant to NRS 116.3112.

(i) May grant easements, leases, licenses and concessions through or over the common elements.

(j) May impose and receive any payments, fees or charges for the use, rental or operation of the common elements, other than limited common elements described in subsections 2 and 4 of NRS 116.2102, and for services provided to the units' owners, including, without limitation, any services provided pursuant to NRS 116.310312.

(k) May impose charges for late payment of assessments pursuant to NRS 116.3115.

(l) May impose construction penalties when authorized pursuant to NRS 116.310305.

(m) May impose reasonable fines for violations of the governing documents of the association only if the association complies with the requirements set forth in NRS 116.31031.

(n) May impose reasonable charges for the preparation and recordation of any amendments to the declaration or any statements of unpaid assessments, and impose reasonable fees, not to exceed the amounts authorized by NRS 116.4109, for preparing and furnishing the documents and certificate required by that section.

(o) May provide for the indemnification of its officers and executive board and maintain directors and officers liability insurance.

(p) May assign its right to future income, including the right to receive assessments for common expenses, but only to the extent the declaration expressly so provides.

(q) May exercise any other powers conferred by the declaration or bylaws.

1 (r) May exercise all other powers that may be exercised in this State by legal
2 entities of the same type as the association.

3 (s) May direct the removal of vehicles improperly parked on property owned or
4 leased by the association, as authorized pursuant to NRS 487.038, or improperly
5 parked on any road, street, alley or other thoroughfare within the common-interest
6 community in violation of the governing documents. In addition to complying with
7 the requirements of NRS 487.038 and any requirements in the governing
8 documents, if a vehicle is improperly parked as described in this paragraph, the
9 association must post written notice in a conspicuous place on the vehicle or
10 provide oral or written notice to the owner or operator of the vehicle at least 48
11 hours before the association may direct the removal of the vehicle, unless the
12 vehicle:

13 (1) Is blocking a fire hydrant, fire lane or parking space designated for the
14 handicapped; or

15 (2) Poses an imminent threat of causing a substantial adverse effect on the
16 health, safety or welfare of the units' owners or residents of the common-interest
17 community.

18 (t) May exercise any other powers necessary and proper for the governance and
19 operation of the association.

20 2. The declaration may not limit the power of the association to deal with the
21 declarant if the limit is more restrictive than the limit imposed on the power of the
22 association to deal with other persons.

23 3. The executive board may determine whether to take enforcement action by
24 exercising the association's power to impose sanctions or commence an action for a
25 violation of the declaration, bylaws or rules, including whether to compromise any
26 claim for unpaid assessments or other claim made by or against it. The executive
27 board does not have a duty to take enforcement action if it determines that, under
28 the facts and circumstances presented:

29 (a) The association's legal position does not justify taking any or further
30 enforcement action;

31 (b) The covenant, restriction or rule being enforced is, or is likely to be
32 construed as, inconsistent with current law;

33 (c) Although a violation may exist or may have occurred, it is not so material
34 as to be objectionable to a reasonable person or to justify expending the
35 association's resources; or

36 (d) It is not in the association's best interests to pursue an enforcement action.

37 4. The executive board's decision under subsection 3 not to pursue
38 enforcement under one set of circumstances does not prevent the executive board
39 from taking enforcement action under another set of circumstances, but the
40 executive board may not be arbitrary or capricious in taking enforcement action.

41 5. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter or the governing documents
42 to the contrary, an association may not impose any assessment pursuant to this
43 chapter or the governing documents on the owner of any property in the common-
44 interest community that is exempt from taxation pursuant to NRS 361.125. For the
45 purposes of this subsection, "assessment" does not include any charge for any
46 utility services, including, without limitation, telecommunications, broadband
47 communications, cable television, electricity, natural gas, sewer services, garbage
48 collection, water or for any other service which is delivered to and used or
49 consumed directly by the property in the common-interest community that is
50 exempt from taxation pursuant to NRS 361.125.

1 **Sec. 9.** ~~[Chapter 624 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new~~
2 ~~section to read as follows:~~

3 ~~1. Before issuing an initial or renewal of a contractor's license to an~~
4 ~~applicant, the Board shall require that the applicant submit to the Board proof of~~
5 ~~insurance against claims for injury to persons or damage to property which may~~
6 ~~arise from or in connection with work that is subject to regulation pursuant to~~
7 ~~this chapter performed by the applicant or his or her agents, representatives,~~
8 ~~employees or subcontractors in an amount not less than the amount set forth in~~
9 ~~subsection 2.~~

10 ~~2. To satisfy the requirements of this section, a licensee or an applicant for~~
11 ~~a contractor's license shall obtain and provide proof of insurance with coverage~~
12 ~~that has limits of liability not less than:~~

13 ~~(a) If the Board places on the license a limit on contracting or bidding to~~
14 ~~contract in an amount less than \$1,000,000, \$300,000 in the aggregate and~~
15 ~~\$100,000 for each occurrence;~~

16 ~~(b) If the Board places on the license a limit on contracting or bidding to~~
17 ~~contract in an amount that is \$1,000,000 or greater but less than \$10,000,000,~~
18 ~~\$2,000,000 in the aggregate and \$1,000,000 for each occurrence; and~~

19 ~~(c) If the Board places on the license a limit on contracting or bidding to~~
20 ~~contract in an amount that is \$10,000,000 or greater or is unlimited, \$3,000,000~~
21 ~~in the aggregate and \$3,000,000 for each occurrence.~~

22 ~~3. If a licensee applies to the Board for a temporary increase in the limit on~~
23 ~~contracting or bidding to contract which the Board has placed on his or her~~
24 ~~license, the Board shall require the licensee to submit proof of insurance with~~
25 ~~coverage that has limits of liability as provided in subsection 2 that correspond to~~
26 ~~the temporary limit on contracting or bidding to contract. The insurance required~~
27 ~~pursuant to this subsection may be contingent upon approval by the Board of the~~
28 ~~temporary increase in the limit on contracting or bidding to contract.~~

29 ~~4. A licensee shall maintain the insurance required pursuant to this section~~
30 ~~at all times during which the licensee holds his or her license.~~

31 ~~5. The Board may impose an administrative fine against a licensee in an~~
32 ~~amount not more than \$10,000, in addition to any other penalty authorized by~~
33 ~~this chapter, if the licensee:~~

34 ~~(a) Causes injury to persons or damage to property which arises from or in~~
35 ~~connection with work that is subject to regulation pursuant to this chapter~~
36 ~~performed by the licensee or his or her agents, representatives, employees or~~
37 ~~subcontractors; and~~

38 ~~(b) Has failed to comply with the requirements of subsection 2 or 3.]~~
39 **(Deleted by amendment.)**

40 **Sec. 10.** ~~[NRS 624.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:~~

41 ~~624.220 1. The Board shall adopt regulations necessary to effect the~~
42 ~~classification and subclassification of contractors in a manner consistent with~~
43 ~~established usage and procedure as found in the construction business, and may~~
44 ~~limit the field and scope of the operations of a licensed contractor to those in which~~
45 ~~the contractor is classified and qualified to engage as defined by NRS 624.215 and~~
46 ~~the regulations of the Board.~~

47 ~~2. The Board shall limit the field and scope of the operations of a licensed~~
48 ~~contractor by establishing a monetary limit on a contractor's license, and the limit~~
49 ~~must be the maximum contract a licensed contractor may undertake on one or more~~
50 ~~construction contracts on a single construction site or subdivision site for a single~~
51 ~~client. The Board may take any other action designed to limit the field and scope of~~
52 ~~the operations of a contractor as may be necessary to protect the health, safety and~~
53 ~~general welfare of the public. The limit must be determined after consideration of~~

1 the factors set forth in NRS 624.260 to 624.265, inclusive [], and section 9 of this
2 act.

3 ~~2. A licensed contractor may request that the Board increase the monetary~~
4 ~~limit on his or her license, either on a permanent basis or for a single construction~~
5 ~~project. A request submitted to the Board pursuant to this subsection must be in~~
6 ~~writing on a form prescribed by the Board and accompanied by such supporting~~
7 ~~documentation as the Board may require. A request submitted pursuant to this~~
8 ~~section for a single construction project must be submitted to the Board at least 5~~
9 ~~working days before the date on which the licensed contractor intends to submit a~~
10 ~~bid for the project and must be approved by the Board before the submission of a~~
11 ~~bid by the contractor for the project.~~

12 ~~4. Subject to the provisions of regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 5,~~
13 ~~nothing contained in this section prohibits a specialty contractor from taking and~~
14 ~~executing a contract involving the use of two or more crafts or trades, if the~~
15 ~~performance of the work in the crafts or trades, other than in which the specialty~~
16 ~~contractor is licensed, is incidental and supplemental to the performance of work in~~
17 ~~the craft for which the specialty contractor is licensed.~~

18 ~~5. The Board shall adopt regulations establishing a specific limit on the~~
19 ~~amount of asbestos that a licensed contractor with a license that is not classified for~~
20 ~~the abatement or removal of asbestos may abate or remove pursuant to subsection~~
21 ~~4.] (Deleted by amendment.)~~

22 **Sec. 11.** 1. The provisions of NRS 40.615 and 40.655, as amended by
23 sections 1 and 5 of this act, respectively, apply to any claim ~~[that arises]~~ **for which**
24 **a notice of constructional defect is given** on or after October 1, 2019.

25 2. The provisions of NRS 40.645 and 40.650, as amended by sections 2 and 4
26 of this act, respectively, apply to a notice of constructional defect given on or after
27 October 1, 2019.

28 3. The provisions of NRS 40.647, as amended by section 3 of this act, apply
29 to an inspection conducted pursuant to NRS 40.6462 on or after October 1, 2019.

30 4. The period of limitations on actions set forth in NRS 11.202, as amended
31 by section 7 of this act, apply retroactively to actions in which the substantial
32 completion of the improvement to the real property occurred before October 1,
33 2019.

34 ~~[5. The provisions of section 9 of this act apply to licenses issued or renewed~~
35 ~~pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS on or after October 1, 2019.]~~