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S.B. 894: FLOOR ANALYSIS

Senate Bill 894 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Dale L. Shugars

Committee: Human Resources, Labor and Veterans Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Asbestos Abatement Contractors Licensing Act to remove a June 1, 1998, expiration date on provisions of the Act that do the following:

- -- Make an exception to the Act's licensing requirement for a business entity licensed under the Electrical Administrative Act, the Forbes Mechanical Contractors Act, or Public Act 266 of 1929 (which governs plumbers), or licensed as a residential builder or residential maintenance and alteration contractor under the Occupational Code.
- -- Require asbestos abatement contractors and exempt business entities to notify the Department before beginning an asbestos abatement project exceeding 10 linear feet or 15 square feet of friable materials, and to pay a fee of 1% of the price of the contract for the asbestos abatement project or 1% of the asbestos abatement project portion of the contract price.
- -- Create the Asbestos Abatement Fund.
- -- Exempt emergency abatement projects from the advance notice requirement.
- -- Require a building or structure owner or lessee to have a postabatement air monitoring check performed at certain project sites.

In addition, the Act requires the renewal of an asbestos abatement contractor's license if the contractor submits a completed application for renewal not sooner than 90 days before, and not later than 30 days after, the license expires. The bill specifies that a renewal application that was received after this time period would have to be treated as an initial application and would require payment of an initial license fee, rather than a renewal license fee. (Under the Act, if the number of employees to be engaged in a project is four or less, the license fee is \$200 and the renewal fee is \$100. If the number of employees to be engaged in a project is five or more, the license fee is \$400 and the renewal fee is \$300.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government

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