

I am NEUTRAL on [HB 2922]...Keep-up the good work Representative Nelson.

The issue of increasing the bond requirements Licensed Contractors must obtain is long overdue.

Obviously, there are increasing instances of either poor performance or downright "No" performance by a number of swine who masquerade as Licensed Contractors and for whatever reason; inflict harm(s) on the citizenry, who have retained their services but became victims through no fault of their own and have little recourse for justice.

I take a Neutral position due in part the amount of coverage appears too low and the punishment too weak.

On one hand, whatever bond amount is to be obtained, the bond amount will be metered into the quote for service(s) the License Contractor will present to the customer.

On the other hand, the customer still rolls the dice and treads on thin ice when dealing with the Licensed Contractor until the work and or services contracted are completed and the parties are satisfied.

Thus, a conundrum is hoisted upon the reader(s) and author(s) of **[HB 2922]**.

What is at issue: How to protect both parties; the customer from being ripped-off and simultaneously; construct a deterrent so severe, the contractor would fear Oregon's justice more than being subjected to scaphism thereby ensuring timely and satisfactory performance.

The aforementioned subject matter is remanded for discussion and debate.

Thank-you Representative Nelson, for **[HB 2922]** the issues addressed and possible solution(s) contained therein.

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