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I oppose proposal to increase minimum bond required by CCB license holders. As owner of small construction business, this additional requirement will drive up fees required to maintain a business in good standing. Perhaps consider a tiered approach, either increasing bond amounts for "large" commercial or residential contracts. This is wrong for truly small builders that focus on remodeling kitchens, building decks, etc. If the goal of the CCB is to get all contractors licensed, bonded, and insured, this requirement will further push otherwise law-abiding players to skirt the rules and operate outside the CCB. I am not saying this is my intent, rather, it is just another burden we are being forced to carry in an industry rife with DRAMATIC increases in material costs, CHRONIC labor shortages, and diminishing profit margins. Why further alienate this important component of our community workforce?