

Alaska State Home Building Association Board of Directors Resolution

WHEREAS Alaska has the highest worker's compensation insurance premiums of any state in the nation; and

WHEREAS contractors in Alaska have some of the highest cost classifications of employment within the worker's compensation insurance system; and

WHEREAS rising costs for worker's compensation insurance create a disincentive for contractor's to obtain the required proper licensure from the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS the cost of worker's compensation insurance directly impacts the cost of housing and affordability for home buyers; and

WHEREAS members of the residential construction industry have volunteered and incurred personal sacrifices and costs to participate in numerous task forces, working groups, review committees, and other public policy forums; and

WHEREAS the Alaska State Home Building Association (ASHBA) has advocated for many years for various types of legislative relief to help address worker's compensation costs; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Worker's Compensation Board passed Resolution 13-01 that calls upon the Alaska Legislature and Governor Parnell to amend the Worker's Compensation Act to

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the ASHBA Board of Directors requests Governor Parnell and the Alaska Legislature to amend the Alaska Worker's Compensation Act as requested by Alaska Worker's Compensation Board.

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