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HB 402: IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR AND HOME INSPECTORS

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Sponsor Statement

Since 1968 when AS 08.18.051 became statue, contractors in the State of Alaska have been required to list their name, mailing address, address of the contractor's principal place of business, and contractor registration number in all advertising. Although simple, this requirement can incur great expense for contractors, particularly those looking to advertise in print, radio, or television where each additional word or line increases the cost. Furthermore, many contractors in our state maintain several business licenses specific to each service they provide. This requires the contractor to list multiple registration numbers within the same advertisement.

House Bill 402 amends the current statute by adding a section which allows contractors and home inspectors to provide an internet website or landing page that contains the identification requirements for contractor or home inspector advertisements in place of those same requirements. Additionally, this bill requires contractors and home inspectors to specify that the internet website or landing page provided contains the information required under statute.

This new section is meant to spare costs to contractors and home inspectors by streamlining the advertisement process while offering important license information in an easier to digest and more accessible format for consumers.

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