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From: Thomas Hall <tom@arborbranch.com>
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To: Rep. Kurt Olson; Rep. Shelley Hughes; Rep. Cathy Tilton
Subject: HB 81

Hi,

I'm a licensed builder and I don't support HB81. It does cost a lot to keep a license, but Alaskan's should be free to build a home if they want to. Having a license doesn't make you a better builder, it just provides some protections for the consumer. I think a better approach would be to have unlicensed builders pay for a bond when they sell their home. That way, the consumer would have a way to pay for repairs if the home is built poorly.

Most of the builders I know got their start by building and selling their own primary homes. There is a tendency to get your license and then close the door behind you, so that you don't have any competition etc.

Please don't support this bill. We have plenty of regulations on the books. Let the small guys build a couple of homes if they want. It isn't going to hurt y business and I build plenty of spec homes.

Thanks,

Tom Hall