

**ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE**  
**HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE STANDING COMMITTEE**

March 3, 2006

3:36 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Representative Pete Kott  
Representative Gabrielle LeDoux  
Representative Bob Lynn  
Representative Harry Crawford

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Representative Tom Anderson, Chair  
Representative Norman Rokeberg  
Representative David Guttenberg

**COMMITTEE CALENDAR**

HOUSE BILL NO. 377

"An Act relating to an exemption from certain registration and practice requirements for persons preparing drawings or specifications related to the construction of certain buildings."

- MOVED CSHB 377(L&C) OUT OF COMMITTEE

**PREVIOUS COMMITTEE ACTION**

BILL: HB 377

SHORT TITLE: EXEMPTION: RES. BLDG. DRAWINGS & SPECS

SPONSOR(S): REPRESENTATIVE(S) MEYER

01/18/06	(H)	READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRALS
01/18/06	(H)	L&C, FIN
02/24/06	(H)	L&C AT 3:15 PM CAPITOL 17
02/24/06	(H)	-- Meeting Canceled --

**WITNESS REGISTER**

MIKE PAWLOWSKI, Staff  
to Representative Kevin Meyer  
Alaska State Legislature  
Juneau, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Presented HB 377 on behalf of Representative Meyer, sponsor.

BILL TAYLOR, Director  
Colony Builders  
Anchorage, Alaska

POSITION STATEMENT: Testified in favor of HB 377.

#### **ACTION NARRATIVE**

**REPRESENTATIVE PETE KOTT, ACTING CHAIR**, called the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee meeting to order at [3:36:00 PM](#). Representatives Crawford, Lynn, LeDoux, and Kott were present at the call to order.

#### HB 377-EXEMPTION: RES. BLDG. DRAWINGS & SPECS

REPRESENTATIVE KOTT announced that the only order of business would be HOUSE BILL NO. 377, "An Act relating to an exemption from certain registration and practice requirements for persons preparing drawings or specifications related to the construction of certain buildings."

REPRESENTATIVE LYNN moved to adopt CSHB 377, Version 24-LS1471\G, Bannister, 2/28/06, as the working document. There being no objection, Version G was before the committee.

REPRESENTATIVE LYNN asked for an explanation of the changes in the committee substitute (CS).

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MIKE PAWLOWSKI, Staff to Representative Kevin Meyer, Alaska State Legislature, said that the CS is a correction of an oversight in the original version of the bill. He explained that in the original version, in order to be exempt from the requirement of having [building] drawings done by a professional architect or engineer, the building must be a four family home, (which, he noted, is a 4-plex) not more than three stories high. This was not consistent with the [International Building Code], therefore, the CS changes this to a duplex, which houses two families and is three stories high.

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BILL TAYLOR, Director, Colony Builders, explained that the intent of HB 377 is to make state statute consistent with the

International Residential Code. He explained that the language was changed for clarity, and commented that the legislation is a "housekeeping" measure.

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REPRESENTATIVE KOTT noted that the Anchorage Home Builders Association, Inc. (AHBA) supports the legislation.

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REPRESENTATIVE CRAWFORD moved to report CSHB 377, Version 24-LS1471\G, Bannister, 2/28/06, out of committee with individual recommendations and the accompanying fiscal notes. There being no objection, CSHB 377(L&C) was reported from the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee.

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the committee, the House Labor and Commerce Standing Committee meeting was adjourned at [3:39:03 PM](#).