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HB 1453-Home Builder Registration and Home Improvement Licenses-Professional Education Requirement

House Economic Matters
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Dear Chair Davis, Vice Chair Dumais and members of the Economic Matters Committee:

HB 1453 requires that registered home builders and licensed home improvement contractors complete a professional education course within two years as a condition of registration or license renewal.

The Home Builder and Home Builder Sales Representative Registration Unit(HBRU) within the Office of the Attorney General and the Maryland Home Improvement Commission (MHIC) must approve curricula for the professional education course which already exist at community colleges, and, online at the National Association of the Remodeling Industry and National Association of Home Builders. This must be done before August 15, 2020 and be published on their websites at least three weeks before the start of an approved course.

HBRU and MHIC must also maintain the professional educational records for licensees. They must also publish the requirements for registration and licensing on the website of the Department of Labor and that of MHIC.

If the licensee was licensed on or before October 1, 2020, has been continuously licensed and has not had any violations, the continuing education requirement may be waived by the Commission and/or the Unit. Those licensed on or after June 1, 2020, have been licensed for ten consecutive years and have committed no violations may also have the requirement waived by the Commission and/or the Unit.

I respectfully ask for a favorable report on HB 1453 with amendments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Teresa E. Reilly", written over a light blue horizontal line.

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