

is required by State or local law to attain standards of competency or experience as a prerequisite to engaging in such craft or profession, and who is acting exclusively within the scope of the craft or profession for which he is currently licensed pursuant to such other law; and the salesman in regard to such a transaction.

(3) Any home improvement, where the aggregate contract price for all labor, materials and other items is less than \$300.00. This exemption does not apply where the work is only part of a larger or major operation, whether undertaken by the same or a different contractor, or in which a division of the operation is made in contracts of amounts less than \$300.00 for the purpose of evasion of this provision or otherwise.

(4) Any retail clerk, clerical or other employee of a licensed contractor, as to a transaction on the premises of the contractor; and any solicitor for a contractor who makes contact with an owner by telephone only.

[(5) Any contractor or salesman, as to a home-improvement contract where the owner is obligated to pay only upon or after completion of the home-improvement work, or to pay a part of the consideration only upon or after completion of the portion of such work to which the payment relates; except where any promissory note, mortgage, or other instrument to secure payment of the consideration to the contractor is required of the owner or accepted by the contractor in advance of completion of the work or portion thereof.

(6) Any contractor or salesman, as to the construction, installation, or repair of swimming pools and parts thereof.]

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(f) Temporary licenses may be issued by the executive [secretary] *director*, in accordance with such rules or regulations as the Commission may prescribe, to any applicant for a license who files an application in proper form and pays the annual license fee therefor. A temporary license shall automatically expire at the time the Commission either refuses to issue or grants the license, and shall be subject to termination by the executive [secretary] *director* at any time prior to action by the Commission.

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(a) The Commission shall have the power to refuse, suspend or revoke any licenses issued under the provisions of this subtitle where the Commission finds that the licensee has violated any provision of this subtitle [;] or [where the Commission finds that the licensee] is performing or attempting to perform any [of the following acts, each of which is prohibited] *act prohibited by this subtitle.*

(b) *Any violation of any of the provisions of this subtitle upon the part of any director, manager, partner, officer, salesman, agent, or employee of a contractor shall be cause for suspension or revocation of the license of the contractor, unless it shall appear to the satisfaction of the Commission that the individuals engaged in the management of the contractor (1) had no knowledge of the wrongful conduct, or (2) were unable to prevent the violation.*