

(1992 Volume and 1995 Supplement)

~~BY adding to~~

~~Article — Business Regulation~~

~~Section 8-504~~

~~Annotated Code of Maryland~~

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article — Business Regulation

~~§8-504.~~

Except for a permit for a home improvement to be performed by a property owner, the building and permits department of a county OR A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION may not issue a permit for a home improvement unless the permit includes the license number of a licensed contractor.†

~~8-504.~~

~~(A) THE BUILDING AND PERMITS DEPARTMENT OF A COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR OTHER LOCAL ISSUING AUTHORITY MAY NOT ISSUE ANY PERMIT FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT UNLESS THE PERMIT APPLICATION INCLUDES A NOTICE THAT:~~

~~(1) PROVIDES A CURRENT STATUTORY DEFINITION OF "HOME IMPROVEMENT";~~

~~(2) INCLUDES THE TELEPHONE NUMBER OF THE COMMISSION; AND~~

~~(3) CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:~~

~~"EACH CONTRACTOR AND EACH SUBCONTRACTOR MUST BE LICENSED BY THE MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION. ANY PERSON MAY ASK THE MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION ABOUT A CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR."~~

~~(B) THE BUILDING AND PERMITS DEPARTMENT OF A COUNTY, MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, OR OTHER LOCAL ISSUING AUTHORITY MAY NOT ISSUE A PERMIT FOR HOME IMPROVEMENT TO BE PERFORMED BY A PROPERTY OWNER UNLESS THE APPLICATION INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, SIGNED BY THE PROPERTY OWNER:~~

~~"I AM AN OWNER OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THIS PERMIT APPLICATION. I WILL PERSONALLY PERFORM THE WORK DESCRIBED IN THE PERMIT AT THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE PERMIT. I UNDERSTAND THAT I MAY PERSONALLY COMPLETE IMPROVEMENTS ON MY HOME WITHOUT BEING A LICENSED HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS ILLEGAL FOR AN INDIVIDUAL TO ACT AS A HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR OR SUBCONTRACTOR IN MARYLAND WITHOUT BEING LICENSED AND THAT NO CLAIMS~~