

## Article - Business Regulation

8-101.

(a) ~~In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.~~

(b) ~~"Commission" means the Maryland Home Improvement Commission.~~

(c) ~~"Contractor" means:~~

(1) ~~a person, other than an employee of an owner, who performs or offers or agrees to perform a home improvement for an owner; OR~~

(2) ~~A HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTOR.~~

(d) ~~"Contractor license" means a license issued by the Commission to act as a contractor.~~

(E) (1) ~~"COOLING SYSTEM" MEANS A SYSTEM IN WHICH HEAT IS REMOVED FROM AIR, SURROUNDING SURFACES, OR BOTH.~~

(2) ~~"COOLING SYSTEM" INCLUDES AN AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM.~~

~~[(e)](F) "Fund" means the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund.~~

~~[(f)](G) "Hearing board" means a home improvement hearing board appointed by the Commission under § 8-313 of this title.~~

(H) (1) ~~"HEATING SYSTEM" MEANS A SYSTEM IN WHICH HEAT IS TRANSMITTED BY RADIATION, CONDUCTION, OR CONVECTION, OR A COMBINATION OF ANY OF THESE METHODS, TO THE AIR, SURROUNDING SURFACES, OR BOTH.~~

(2) ~~"HEATING SYSTEM" DOES NOT INCLUDE A FIREPLACE OR WOODBURNING STOVE NOT INCORPORATED INTO OR USED AS A PRIMARY HEATING SYSTEM.~~

(I) ~~"HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND REFRIGERATION CONTRACTOR" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PROVIDES HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, OR REFRIGERATION SERVICES.~~

~~[(g)](J) (1) "Home improvement" means:~~

(i) ~~the addition to or alteration, conversion, improvement, modernization, remodeling, repair, or replacement of a building or part of a building that is used or designed to be used as a residence for up to 3 single family units or a structure adjacent to that building; or~~

(ii) ~~an improvement to land adjacent to the building.~~

(2) ~~"Home improvement" includes:~~