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## **New Regulation Helps Simplify Construction Defect Disputes**

The Nevada State Contractors Board conducted a workshop and Public Hearing to establish regulations necessary to administer Assembly Bill (AB) 537. AB 537 defines how a person may submit a possible construction defect question or dispute with the NSCB.

An individual claimant may now submit a question or dispute to the State Contractors Board concerning any matter which may affect or relate to a constructional defect. Questions that may be posed include those concerning the need, appropriate method, and sufficiency of repairs. When a question or dispute is submitted to the Board, the Board will respond to the question or investigate the dispute and render a decision.

The Board shall respond to the claim, or have a decision, no later than 30 days after a question or dispute is submitted to the NSCB. Responses or decisions of the Board are not binding and are not subject to judicial review. Decisions from the Board are not admissible in any judicial or administrative proceedings. AB 537 does not prevent individuals from pursuing any remedy otherwise available from the Board concerning a constructional defect. If an action for a constructional defect has begun, the court shall not delay any proceedings before responding to a question or decision concerning a dispute submitted to the State Contractors Board.

The proposed regulation will now be presented to the Board for final approval. These new regulations should greatly assist homeowners and contractors by resolving possible construction defect issues in a timely manner.

Consumers can obtain the construction defect request form at the offices of the NSCB or through the NSCB website at [www.nscb.state.nv.us](http://www.nscb.state.nv.us)

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*The Nevada State Contractors Board is committed to protecting the public's health, safety, and welfare through licensing and regulation of the construction industry. Under Nevada Revised Statutes, a licensee is subject to disciplinary action by the Board for failure to comply with the requirements of the laws or regulations governing contractors. Violations may result in Board action against the contractor's license. The State Contractors Board has the power to regulate contractors and discipline licensees who violate NRS 624. Disciplinary action may consist of a fine of up to \$10,000 per offense, order corrective action, suspension, revocation or other action.*

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