



STATE OF VERMONT
SENATE CHAMBER

March 23, 2017

Colin Benjamin, OPR Director
Secretary of State Office
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Dear Colin,

Senate Government Operations Committee is requesting that you conduct a Sunrise Review of Home Improvement Contractors over the summer/fall. During the past couple years there have been a number of serious complaints about this group. Most are related to financial concerns but many could rise to the level of safety.

We believe that this sunrise should be limited to a very narrow group. Part of your charge will be to find a very clear definition of those who are included in this group. There are many people who might be caught up in this and we believe we need to be careful when looking at licensing, certification or registration.

For clarification you should work with Chris Curtis at the Attorney General's Office and with the various associations and groups representing these professions. And because many of those who might be affected are not represented by associations, we ask that you make a concerted effort to hear from those individuals.

Thanks you for doing this. If you have any questions please contact us.

Sincerely,

For the Senate Government Operations Committee
Jeanette White