2223 Sponsor(s): Representatives Conway and Clements

Brief Title: Regulating telecommunications contractors and installations.

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Provides that it is unlawful for any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity to advertise, offer to do work, submit a bid, engage in, conduct, or carry on the business of installing or maintaining telecommunications systems without having a telecommunications contractor registration.

Creates a telecommunications board, consisting of seven members to be appointed by the governor with the advice of the director as provided in this act.

Declares that it is unlawful for any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity to install or maintain any telecommunications cabling and associated hardware in violation of this act.

Declares that any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity violating any of the provisions of this act shall be assessed a penalty of not less than one hundred dollars or more than ten thousand dollars per violation.

Requires that, at the time of registration and subsequent reregistration, the applicant shall furnish insurance or financial responsibility in the form of an assigned account in the amount of twenty thousand dollars for injury or damages to property, fifty thousand dollars for injury or damage including death to any one person, and one hundred thousand dollars for injury or damage including death to more than financial one person, or responsibility to satisfy these amounts.