

carpenters, painters, brick layers, cement finishers, electricians and the rest. Now in that capacity, obviously, they would be contractors, subcontracting out work, and I assume when they were all finished they would take that unfinished product and make it beautiful, and make it reflect whatever kind of personality or character the owner of that addition wanted. That we do not address with this particular amendment yet. I was going to ask that the body allow this bill to move to Select File, and I would promise and commit to you that by Select File we would have that kind of language worked out so that interior decorators would understand the responsibilities under this bill and where they began and ended. I'll try to answer any questions you might have without addressing the bill itself, only the amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Lynch. Discussion of the Lynch amendment? Seeing none, Senator Lynch, would you like to close? He waives closing. We'll now vote on the Lynch amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Lynch's amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The amendment is adopted. Senator Lynch, would you like to open on the bill?

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. Speaker and members, again, if you'd refer to this handout we passed out, about how to avoid home repair ripoffs, and just look at the last page. As you know, I'm not one to use too many words to try to define or describe what the purpose and intent is. But simply put, fraud is a terrible problem. There are, in fact, brokers out there, for example, that will pass through a community, after a disaster, or in fact just pass through a community without a disaster and sell people on siding, roofing, windows and whatever else it might be. They can, in fact, in the process of that develop a contract privately with somebody to put a roof on for, let's hypothetically say 1800 bucks. They could sign a contract with that poor soul, and in fact arrange the financing to repair the roof for \$3,400. They pocket the difference, they're not on the job. And in fact we're not even sure who they are in some cases. On the last page of this handout, underlined with an asterisk, you'll see that the rules of avoiding all kinds of fraud and shoddy work are similar. The strategy of getting