

The following email alert was sent on Thursday, May 9th.

VIA EMAIL

Subject: Illinois Legislative Alert -- Immediate Action Required

The IESA's lobbyist Dick Lockhart has contacted me regarding Senate Bill 2760 (SB2760). The bill is a re-write of the architects and engineers licensing bill. If passed in its current form it will prevent alarm companies from preparing any technical documents for submittal for any kind of building permit. It is a major power grab by the A & E's.

For the sadists in the crowd you can follow this link www.ilga.gov , enter SB2760 and read the full text of the bill.

Do not be fooled by the name of the act, "ELECTRICIANS LICENSING ACT". The electricians act died and the Senate used the dead bill to attach the A&E's bill. (Funny how politics works?)

We have offered language exempting State Licensed Private Alarm Contractors while working within the scope of the Private Security Act. They have refused to accept our proposal. Currently A & E's have this type of exemption from our licensing act. The IESA must now work together to defeat SB2760 or have our modification accepted. The result of failing in this effort will be to have all of us paying Licensed Architects or Engineers to design most or all of our systems.

Mr. Lockhart is in Springfield working the ground. He needs our help! Here is what we are asked to do.

1) Each of us must contact our own State Representative and explain the damage this bill will do to your business. (Make your story personal, each of you knows what this means to you)

a. Your mission with your Rep. is to ask them to vote "No" or "Absent" on SB2760.

b. If you do not know your State Representative try this link to find it: <http://www.elections.il.gov/DistrictLocator/SelectSearchType.aspx?NavLink=1>

c. Be resourceful find a way to find your rep and make the call or send a letter to His/Her office.

d. Remember you may have 2 contacts that you can make. One for your home and another for your office.

e. Get others in your company involved if you have interested, knowledgeable people willing to help.

2) The House sponsor of the bill is Rep. David Miller. He is from Dolton, Illinois.

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- b. We are asking that you write a letter, email or fax to Rep. Miller and not call him directly unless by chance you have a relationship with him. If you know him personally please do make the call.
- c. Your mission with Rep. Miller is to request him to include the Dick Lockhart amendment. He will know who Dick is and what his amendment is.

3) **ACT NOW**

4) Watch for follow-up e-mails. As with any legislative effort it will constantly be in a state of change. One minute we may ask everyone to stand down, if they seem to be negotiating in good faith and the next minute we may be back in a full court press. Do not get frustrated if our message changes as this matter moves forward.

5) I will be out of town next week, but I should be able to keep an eye on my e-mail. I am asking Tony Calderone to be in contact with Mr. Lockhart in my absence and hopefully he will forward any follow up instructions if needed.

Sincerely,

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