

timeframe and is not liable for a late payment penalty to a subcontractor. To further encourage prompt payment to a subcontractor or supplier, this bill explicitly authorizes a subcontractor or supplier to request payment status information regarding the prime contractor's invoices from the awarding state agency and requires a prime contractor to confirm to the awarding agency that the prime contractor has paid a subcontractor. However, this bill does not require the awarding agency to make such an inquiry.

- 3) **Recent Amendments.** The introduced version of this bill would have imposed strict prompt payment timelines for a prime contractor and was opposed by various contractor associations. Recent amendments to this bill address opposition concerns, with the Construction Employers' Association and potentially other groups removing opposition to this bill.

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