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**NEW! CONTRACTOR'S LICENSING AND BIDDING REQUIREMENTS**

Law changes from the 2010 legislative session have revised the contractor's license and bid requirements for projects \$25,000 and up. As before, T.C.A. §62-6-119 requires the Prime contractor's Name, License Number, Expiration Date and the Classification applying to the bid to be listed on the outside of the bid envelope (or electronic bid document) along with their Electrical, Plumbing, and HVAC contractors, unless their portion is less than \$25,000. Effective July 1, 2010, Public Chapter 768 now requires the Masonry contractor to be listed, unless the masonry portion is less than \$100,000. Failing to provide this information makes the bid unacceptable and prohibits the awarding authority from opening and considering the bid.

In addition, effective January 1, 2011, Public Chapter 950 will no longer exempt Masonry subcontractors from the license law and they will be required to have a contractor's license with the new LMC (Licensed Masonry Contractor) classification in order to bid or perform work in excess of \$100,000, including materials and labor. Therefore, unlicensed masonry subcontractors will need to obtain a contractor's license; and currently licensed masonry contractors with a BC-9 or BC commercial classification, will need to obtain a license revision to add the new LMC classification. The law does not provide any grandfather considerations and all must take the new masonry LMC trade exam. After January 1<sup>st</sup>, awarding authorities must reject any bid without the new LMC masonry classification for bids in the amount of \$100,000 and over, including materials and labor.

For more information, please review the Board for Licensing Contractor's website at: <http://tn.gov/commerce/boards/contractors/index.shtml>