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As a homeowner I have experienced three "contractors" that left me hanging after beginning a job. The first one was to do my driveway. I had asked him to widen it. I paid for the supplies and he completed the driveway. I was not home to see the work being completed but came home to a driveway that iverall looked nice. We had crushed stone put in. It was nice until it rained. My driveway became a lake and the cars were not accessible. I had told him to fix it and he ended up ghosting me. I ended up having someone e else come do it. It did not end up perfect but I basically paid him so that it would not flood which he did.

The second contractor was to replace my shower. He talked me I to doing tile instead of just replacing the shower. He was confident it would be amazing. Him and his wife were doing it. Again paid for the supplies and gave them money down to start the job. What I saw at the end looked like a kindergarten pice of art. Uneven tiles, cracked tiles and an extremely poor job. I ended up having to have a friend come and take a look. We had to demo the entire thing. Upon demolishing g we found they used regular sheetrock that was not rated for water. He cut my water pipes and used electrical tape to patch the pipes resulting in water going down to my dining room downstairs. My friend who is not a contractor did the job as expected. The third was a contractor who was to redo my flooring. He didn't prep my house just started sanding the floors, he wasn't able to sand the floors to get all the varnish off. He talked me I to using paint since the wood was old and the varnish was hard to get off. As someone who doesn't know anything about floorwork I followed his lead. He used my personal fans, he showed me the finished job but the paint was still wet. We were not able to get a close look. It looked good from where we could see. After the floors dried we did a closer I section to find that the sander completely ruined all of our trim boards, the floor was tacky because he never vacuumed the floors after sanding he only swept. I asked him to come back and fix everything but he quoted another full job worth to fix his errors. I had to take matters into my own hands and do the floors myself which came out perfect. I sanded them myself and they look great. I still need to fix everything else he left me with. I support this bill while I think it falls a little short. I believe the \$7500 threshold is a good start but it doesn't help the people that need it mist with the 1-5k jobs that most of the fake contractors do. This law needs to pass as a step forward