## House File 561

S-3099

- 1 Amend House File 561, as passed by the House, as follows:
- 2 l. Page 1, line 11, by striking <1> and inserting <2>
- 3 2. Page 1, by striking lines 13 through 15 and inserting:
- 4 <2. In a court action to challenge a mechanic's lien posted
- 5 on a residential construction property, or any bond given in
- 6 lieu thereof, if the person challenging the lien or defending
- 7 against any action on the bond prevails, the court may award
- 8 reasonable attorney fees and actual damages. If the court
- 9 determines that the mechanic's lien was posted in bad faith
- 10 or the supporting affidavit was materially false, the court
- 11 shall award the owner reasonable attorney fees plus an amount
- 12 not less than five hundred dollars or the amount of the lien,
- 13 whichever is less.>

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