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This bill allows roofing contractors in Missouri to register with the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration after January 1, 2020, however, registration is not required to practice the profession.

An applicant for registration must submit a completed application to the department along with a non-refundable fee of up to \$200. The applicant then has 90 days from the day the application is submitted to complete the application process, including: filing proof of motor vehicle insurance, a current worker's compensation policy, liability insurance, and a no tax due statement from the Department of Revenue. If an out-of-state applicant has had a license revoked or suspended in another state, he or she shall not be issued a certificate of registration.

A registered roofing contractor is required to affix the registration number and his or her name to all of his or her contracts and bids. The official issuing building permits shall affix the contractor's registration number to each application for a building permit and on each building permit issued and recorded. After a natural disaster, the department shall notify the public through advertisements and public service announcements that roofing contractors can register with the department. Advertising costs shall be paid out of the Roofing Contractor Fund established under the bill. If there are insufficient funds to cover advertising costs, the department shall pay for such expenses out of its annual appropriation.

Any complaints received by the department shall be recorded, and the department shall investigate all complaints concerning registered roofing contractors. The department may refuse to issue, renew, suspend, or revoke a certificate of registration for failure to meet the requirements of this bill. Any person in violation of the bill shall be found guilty of a class D misdemeanor. A second conviction within 10 years after the first conviction is a class B misdemeanor.

The provisions of the bill expire on August 29, 2023.

This bill is the same as SB 790 (2017).