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H.B. No. 2237 Changes the Texas Statute Governing Mechanic's Liens

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Austin Partner **Kent Hofmann** authored an article for Texas Lawyer discussing H.B. No. 2237's amendments to the Texas statute governing mechanic's liens and what those changes mean for claimants and owners. One consideration is that lien claimants very likely will be required to follow both the current and amended rules during a period of transition, creating a need "to both get up to speed on the amendments and identify which version of the statute governs each of its projects," he writes.

Hofmann observes the changes are intended to simplify the law and, in many cases, they make compliance with statutory requirements for lien perfection easier for claimants. However, Hofmann notes, the legislation's shorter limitations period does not favor claimants.

"Claimants and owners should familiarize themselves with the amended Chapter 53, particularly the sections concerning notices of unpaid invoices and limitations," he writes.

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