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DIVISION 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS [3274 - 9566] (*Heading of Division 4 amended by Stats. 1988, Ch. 160, Sec. 16.)*

PART 6. WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT [8000 - 9566] (*Part 6 added by Stats. 2010, Ch. 697, Sec. 20.)*

TITLE 2. PRIVATE WORKS OF IMPROVEMENT [8160 - 8848] (*Title 2 added by Stats. 2010, Ch. 697, Sec. 20.)*

CHAPTER 5. Stop Payment Notice [8500 - 8560] (*Chapter 5 added by Stats. 2010, Ch. 697, Sec. 20.)*

ARTICLE 2. Stop Payment Notice to Owner [8520 - 8522] (*Article 2 added by Stats. 2010, Ch. 697, Sec. 20.)*

8520. (a) A person that has a lien right under Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 8400), other than a direct contractor, may give the owner a stop payment notice.

(b) The owner may give notice, in compliance with the requirements of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 8100) of Title 1, demanding that a person that has a lien right under Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 8400) give the owner a stop payment notice. If the person fails to give the owner a bonded or unbonded stop payment notice, the person forfeits the right to a lien under Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 8400).

(*Added by Stats. 2010, Ch. 697, Sec. 20. (SB 189) Effective January 1, 2011. Operative July 1, 2012, by Sec. 105 of Ch. 697 and by Section 8052.*)

8522. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (b), on receipt of a stop payment notice an owner shall withhold from the direct contractor or from any person acting under authority of a direct contractor a sufficient amount due or to become due to the direct contractor to pay the claim stated in the notice.

(b) The owner may, but is not required to, withhold funds if the owner has previously recorded a payment bond under Section 8600. If the owner does not withhold funds, the owner shall, within 30 days after receipt of the stop payment notice, give notice to the claimant that a payment bond has been recorded and provide the claimant a copy of the bond. The notice shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 8100) of Title 1.

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