

March 12, 2020

Representative Brandon Vick John L. O'Brien Building 504 – 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, SW Room 465 Olympia, WA 98504 (brandon.vick@leg.wa.gov)

Re: Washington H.B. 2477

Dear Representative Vick:

BICSI is a member of The Professional Certification Coalition (PCC) and is in support of PCC's recent letter to you regarding the suggested amendments to H.B. 2477, relating to occupational licensing reform.

BICSI is a global nonprofit professional association founded in 1975 supporting the advancement of the information and communications technology (ICT) profession. BICSI provides training and certification to field professionals in the installation and design of ICT systems. We are headquartered in Tampa, Florida, USA. Our credential holders span over 340 in the State of Washington.

We feel existing industry certifications such as what BICSI provides adequately allow professionals to demonstrate mastery of their trade. BICSI supports efforts to remove unnecessary barriers to entry into professions in order to promote market competition and employment opportunities.

Thank you for your consideration of these amendments. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to reach out to us using the contact information identified below.

Sincerely,

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**Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer** 

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Enclosure:

Professional Certification Coalition Letter Re: Washington H.B. 2477