**Section 345.80 Payments to Contractors**

No lender shall make a payment of any proceeds of a high risk home loan to a contractor under a home improvement contract other than:

a) by instrument payable to the borrower or jointly to the borrower and the contractor; or

b) at the election of the borrower, by a third party escrow agent in accordance with the terms established in a written agreement signed by the borrower, the lender, and the contractor before the date of payment.