

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2013 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Regulated Industries

CS/HB 795 — Premises Inspections

by Business and Professional Regulation Subcommittee and Rep. LaRosa and others (CS/SB 842
by Regulated Industries Committee and Senator Stargel)

The bill amends s. 509.032, F.S., relating to Premises Inspections. The bill authorizes the Division of Hotels and Restaurants of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (division) to inspect all licensed public lodging establishments and public food service establishments at least biannually (two times per year), except for certain apartments that must be inspected at least annually. The bill requires that the division adopt a risk-based inspection frequency by rule no later than July 1, 2014 for each licensed public food service establishment (food service establishment) to require at least one but not more than four routine inspections during a year.

The bill states that the rule may include guidelines that consider a food service establishment's inspection and compliance history, the type of food and food preparation methods, and the type of service being provided. The bill requires that the division annually reassess the inspection frequency of all food service establishments.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect July 1, 2014.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 114-0