

By Senator Constantine

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to construction practices;

3 providing legislative findings and intent;

4 requiring the Florida Building Commission to

5 review construction practices and building

6 inspections in this state and to make

7 recommendations for the improvement of those

8 practices and inspections; providing procedures

9 for the review; requiring the commission to

10 report to the Governor and the Legislature;

11 providing an effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15 Section 1. Florida Building Commission review of

16 construction practices and inspections.--

17 (1) LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND INTENT.--The Legislature

18 finds that, due to the rapidly increasing rate of construction

19 which has occurred in the first few years of the 21st century,

20 the possibility exists for an increase in the prevalence of

21 construction flaws and for a decrease in the quality of

22 building and home inspections. The intent of the Legislature

23 is that the review initiated under this act will produce

24 findings that will increase the quality of construction and

25 optimize the effectiveness of home inspections, while

26 promoting the safety, accountability, and affordability of

27 construction in this state.

28 (2) REVIEW PROCEDURES.--Beginning July 1, 2005, the

29 Florida Building Commission shall conduct a review of current

30 construction practices in this state to formulate

31 recommendations concerning how to improve the quality of

1 construction in the state and how to maximize the
2 effectiveness of the building inspections and home inspections
3 associated with such construction. The commission shall
4 conduct or contract for research that supports this purpose
5 and shall conduct hearings and any other activities that the
6 commission considers essential in fulfilling this purpose.

7 (3) REPORT.--By January 15, 2006, the Florida Building
8 Commission shall submit a report of its findings to the
9 Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the
10 House of Representatives. The report must include
11 recommendations for proposed legislation that the commission
12 considers appropriate and necessary.

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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16 SENATE SUMMARY

17 Requires the Florida Building Commission to review
18 construction practices and building and home inspections
19 in this state and to formulate recommendations concerning
20 how to improve construction quality and maximize the
21 effectiveness of building and home inspections. Requires
22 the commission to report to the Governor and the
23 Legislature and to include in the report appropriate
24 recommendations for legislation.
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