

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to firesafety standards; amending s.
 3 633.208, F.S.; providing guard requirements for
 4 certain balconies on buildings constructed during a
 5 specified time; providing applicability; providing an
 6 effective date.

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

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 10 Section 1. Subsection (11) is added to section 633.208,
 11 Florida Statutes, to read:

12 633.208 Minimum firesafety standards.—

13 (11) (a) A building that was constructed and obtained a
 14 certificate of occupancy before 1965 may have balcony guard
 15 openings which allow passage of a sphere greater than 4 inches
 16 in diameter and less than 42 inches high if:

17 1. The guard was approved as a part of the original
 18 building design;

19 2. The guard is at least 40 inches high; and

20 3. The building is designated as a historic property, or
 21 as a contributing property to a historic district, or eligible
 22 for designation as a local historic property under the local
 23 preservation ordinance.

24 (b) This subsection supersedes any other contrary
 25 provisions in the Florida Fire Prevention Code.

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26 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017. |