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**SYNOPSIS**

Establishes expedited construction inspection program.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As amended on November 8, 2021 by the General Assembly pursuant to the Governor's recommendations.



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1 AN ACT concerning inspections under the construction code, and  
 2 supplementing and amending P.L.1975, c.217.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State  
 5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. <sup>1</sup>[(New section)]<sup>1</sup> a. <sup>1</sup>[(1)]<sup>1</sup> The commissioner, in  
 8 consultation with the code advisory board, shall <sup>1</sup>[promulgate rules  
 9 and regulations, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act,"  
 10 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), establishing standards,  
 11 procedures, and other requirements for an optional program  
 12 providing expedited] conduct a study that considers how to facilitate  
 13 speedy<sup>1</sup> inspections of construction undertaken pursuant to a  
 14 construction permit.

15 <sup>1</sup>[(2) The expedited inspection program shall provide that:

16 (a) a municipal governing body may participate in the program  
 17 by requiring its enforcing agency to conduct expedited inspections  
 18 within two calendar days of an owner's request for an inspection;

19 (b) an owner of a project located in a municipality that is not  
 20 requiring its enforcing agency to conduct expedited inspections may  
 21 select a private inspection agency to conduct expedited inspections;

22 (c) a business entity shall not conduct expedited inspections  
 23 unless licensed and authorized to do so by the department;

24 (d) an owner may opt to participate in the expedited inspection  
 25 program at the time of submission of an application for a  
 26 construction permit pursuant to section 12 of P.L.1975, c.217  
 27 (C.52:27D-130);

28 (e) an owner participating in the expedited inspection program  
 29 shall pay a premium in addition to all otherwise applicable fees;

30 (f) each expedited inspection shall be completed within two  
 31 calendar days of an owner's request for an inspection;

32 (g) if a local enforcing agency or a private inspection agency  
 33 fails to complete an expedited inspection within two calendar days  
 34 of an owner's request for an inspection, the agency shall complete  
 35 the inspection within the following 24 hours and shall refund the  
 36 premium for that expedited inspection to the owner. If a local  
 37 enforcing agency or a private inspection agency fails to complete an  
 38 expedited inspection within the following 24 hours, the owner may  
 39 elect to retain a different private inspection agency, in a manner  
 40 consistent with subsection b. of section 19 of P.L.1975, c.217  
 41 (C.52:27D-137), to perform the remainder of inspections required  
 42 for the project.] As part of the study, the commissioner shall  
 43 consider:

44 (1) Whether and how any responsibilities of a local enforcing  
 45 agency may be delegated to a private inspection agency, including, in

**EXPLANATION** – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is  
 not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

<sup>1</sup>Assembly amendments adopted in accordance with Governor's  
 recommendations November 8, 2021.

1 consultation with the Department of Environmental Protection,  
2 whether any aspects of the Licensed Site Remediation Professional  
3 program administered by the Department of Environmental Protection  
4 may be applicable to inspections of constructions undertaken pursuant  
5 to a construction permit;

6 (2) Whether and how efficiencies may be achieved by the  
7 consolidation of local enforcing agencies or the sharing of services;

8 (3) Methods to improve the training, recruitment, and retention of  
9 local inspection officials, in consultation with the Department of Labor  
10 and Workforce Development;

11 (4) Whether the department's enforcement authority over local  
12 enforcing agencies should be augmented;

13 (5) The extent to which any proposals considered by the  
14 commissioner would negatively affect health and safety, the quality of  
15 inspections, or the conducting of inspections in a fair and equitable  
16 manner; and

17 (6) Any other proposals the commissioner deems relevant to the  
18 purposes of the study.<sup>1</sup>

19 b. <sup>1</sup>[(1) A municipal governing body, in consultation with the  
20 construction official of its enforcing agency, shall determine  
21 whether the enforcing agency shall conduct expedited inspections or  
22 whether an owner may retain a private inspection agency to conduct  
23 expedited inspections. Regardless of whether expedited inspections  
24 are conducted by an enforcing agency or a private inspection  
25 agency, the enforcing agency shall retain the power and  
26 responsibility over issuance of the certificate of occupancy under  
27 section 15 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-133).

28 (a) An enforcing agency that conducts expedited inspections  
29 may conduct those inspections outside of the hours specified in  
30 section 14 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-132).

31 (b) The enforcing agency shall observe the progress of a  
32 construction project receiving expedited inspections by a private  
33 inspection agency and shall retain jurisdiction over the project in  
34 order to be responsive to inquiries from the general public and from  
35 special interests, to the needs of the owner and the private  
36 inspection agency, and to the obligations and requirements imposed  
37 by the code.

38 (2) An owner applying to participate in the expedited inspection  
39 program shall submit payment of all applicable fees, together with  
40 an expedited inspection premium fee of \$100 per inspection, to the  
41 enforcing agency together with the application for a construction  
42 permit, unless the municipality establishes an alternative premium  
43 fee price, or variety of alternative prices depending on the size and  
44 complexity of the application. If the enforcing agency does not  
45 conduct expedited inspections, at the time of submission of an  
46 application for a construction permit, the owner shall identify the  
47 private inspection agency the owner has selected to conduct  
48 expedited inspections. The enforcing agency shall deliver payment

1 of the expedited inspection premium fee to the private inspection  
2 agency selected to conduct expedited inspections.】 Not later than  
3 the first day of the 25th month next following the effective date of  
4 P.L. , c. (pending before the Legislature as this bill), the  
5 commissioner shall submit a report to the Governor, and to the  
6 Legislature pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1),  
7 outlining the commissioner’s findings following the study conducted  
8 pursuant to subsection a. of this section and any recommendations for  
9 legislation, administrative action, or other actions as the commissioner  
10 deems appropriate.<sup>1</sup>

11 c. <sup>1</sup>[(1) The department shall establish a program for the  
12 licensure and authorization of business entities as private inspection  
13 agencies for the purpose of contracting with owners to conduct  
14 expedited inspections pursuant to this section or to perform  
15 inspections pursuant to section 19 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-  
16 137). No business entity shall conduct inspections under a  
17 construction permit or enter into any contract to do so without first  
18 receiving the licensure and authorization of the department. The  
19 department may impose and collect fees from applicants for  
20 licensure and authorization under this section.

21 (2) Licensure and authorization of a business entity as a private  
22 inspection agency shall include, but not be limited to, consideration  
23 of the qualifications of the management and technical personnel of  
24 the business entity, the fiscal integrity of the business entity, and  
25 the ability of the business entity to perform expedited inspections  
26 within the requisite time frames in a manner sufficient to ensure  
27 that the construction is performed in accordance with the conditions  
28 of the construction permit and the requirements of the code.

29 (3) A private inspection agency shall not employ a person as an  
30 officer or inspector unless the person is certified by the department  
31 in the appropriate subcode.

32 (4) A private inspection agency shall be subject to the orders  
33 and directives of the municipal construction official and the  
34 department in matters relating to the enforcement of the code.

35 (5) A private inspection agency shall maintain records of all  
36 inspections and any other information that may be required by the  
37 municipal construction official or the department. These records  
38 shall be open to department audit and shall not be destroyed or  
39 removed from the offices of the private inspection agency without  
40 the permission of the department.

41 (6) A private inspection agency shall not directly collect fees  
42 from the owner, or any agent or employee of the owner. The  
43 enforcing agency shall be the sole agent for the collection and  
44 delivery of an expedited inspection premium fee to a private  
45 inspection agency.

46 d. (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a private  
47 inspection agency that has contracted to perform expedited  
48 inspections for a project shall carry out its obligations under the

1 contract and applicable provisions of law until full completion of  
2 the project, as evidenced by the enforcing agency's issuance of a  
3 certificate of occupancy.

4 (2) A private inspection agency conducting expedited  
5 inspections shall have all of the powers, and shall be subject to all  
6 of the requirements, applicable to an enforcing agency with regard  
7 to conducting inspections under P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et  
8 seq.), however, the private inspection agency shall be obligated to  
9 conduct inspections in an expedited timeframe.

10 (3) A private inspection agency conducting expedited  
11 inspections shall:

12 (a) maintain all inspection records applicable to each  
13 construction permit;

14 (b) maintain an adequate number of certified staff to conduct  
15 expedited inspections for all classes of structure consistent with the  
16 private inspection agency's licensure and certification;

17 (c) provide adequate supervision of employees and ensure that  
18 an employee is properly licensed and certified before conducting an  
19 inspection;

20 (d) carry insurance as may be required by the department; and

21 (e) prepare and submit all required reports to the department and  
22 the enforcing agency.

23 e. An owner and a private inspection agency may agree to the  
24 performance of expedited inspections outside of the hours specified  
25 in section 14 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-132). The  
26 commissioner is authorized to contract with a third party to conduct  
27 the study and submit the report required by this section.<sup>1</sup>

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29 2. Section 6 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-124) is amended to  
30 read as follows:

31 6. The commissioner shall have all the powers necessary or  
32 convenient to effectuate the purposes of **【this act】** P.L.1975, c.217  
33 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), including, but not limited to, the following  
34 powers in addition to all others granted by **【this act】** P.L.1975,  
35 c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.):

36 a. To adopt, amend and repeal, after consultation with the code  
37 advisory board, rules: (1) relating to the administration and  
38 enforcement of **【this act】** P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.)  
39 and (2) the qualifications or licensing, or both, of all persons  
40 employed by enforcing agencies of the State to enforce **【this act】**  
41 P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.) or the code, except that,  
42 plumbing inspectors shall be subject to the rules adopted by the  
43 commissioner only insofar as such rules are compatible with such  
44 rules and regulations, regarding health and plumbing for public and  
45 private buildings, as may be promulgated by the Public Health  
46 Council in accordance with Title 26 of the Revised Statutes.

47 b. To enter into agreements with federal and State of New  
48 Jersey agencies, after consultation with the code advisory board, to

1 provide insofar as practicable (1) single-agency review of  
2 construction plans and inspection of construction and (2)  
3 intergovernmental acceptance of such review and inspection to  
4 avoid unnecessary duplication of effort and fees. The commissioner  
5 shall have the power to enter into such agreements although the  
6 federal standards are not identical with State standards; provided  
7 that the same basic objectives are met. The commissioner shall  
8 have the power through such agreements to bind the State of New  
9 Jersey and all governmental entities deriving authority therefrom.

10 c. To take testimony and hold hearings relating to any aspect of  
11 or matter relating to the administration or enforcement of **[this act]**  
12 P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), including but not limited to  
13 prospective interpretation of the code so as to resolve inconsistent  
14 or conflicting code interpretations, and, in connection therewith,  
15 issue <sup>1</sup>**[subpena]** subpoenas<sup>1</sup> to compel the attendance of witnesses  
16 and the production of evidence. The commissioner may designate  
17 one or more hearing examiners to hold public hearings and report  
18 on such hearings to the commissioner.

19 d. To encourage, support or conduct, after consultation with the  
20 code advisory board, educational and training programs for  
21 employees, agents and inspectors of enforcing agencies, either  
22 through the Department of Community Affairs or in cooperation  
23 with other departments of State government, enforcing agencies,  
24 educational institutions, or associations of code officials.

25 e. To study the effect of **[this act]** P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-  
26 119 et seq.) and the code to ascertain their effect upon the cost of  
27 building construction and maintenance, and the effectiveness of  
28 their provisions for insuring the health, safety, and welfare of the  
29 people of the State of New Jersey.

30 f. To make, establish and amend, after consultation with the  
31 code advisory board, such rules as may be necessary, desirable or  
32 proper to carry out his powers and duties under **[this act]** P.L.1975,  
33 c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.).

34 g. To adopt, amend, and repeal rules and regulations providing  
35 for the charging of and setting the amount of fees for the following  
36 code enforcement services, licenses or approvals performed or  
37 issued by the department, pursuant to the "State Uniform  
38 Construction Code Act," P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.):

39 (1) Plan review, construction permits, certificates of occupancy,  
40 demolition permits, moving of building permits, elevator permits  
41 and sign permits; and

42 (2) Review of applications for and the issuance of licenses  
43 certifying an individual's qualifications to act as a construction code  
44 official, subcode official or assistant under **[this act]** P.L.1975,  
45 c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.).

46 (3) (Deleted by amendment, P.L.1983, c.338).

47 h. To adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations providing  
48 for the charging of and setting the amount of construction permit

1 surcharge fees to be collected by the enforcing agency and remitted  
2 to the department to support those activities which may be  
3 undertaken with moneys credited to the Uniform Construction Code  
4 Revolving Fund.

5 i. To adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations providing  
6 for:

7 (1) Setting the amount of and the charging of fees to be paid to  
8 the department by a **private agency** <sup>1</sup>**business entity** private  
9 agency<sup>1</sup> for the review of applications for and the issuance of  
10 approvals authorizing a **private agency** <sup>1</sup>**business entity** private  
11 agency<sup>1</sup> to act as <sup>1</sup>a private inspection agency.<sup>1</sup> an on-site  
12 inspection and plan review agency<sup>1</sup>.<sup>1</sup> or an in-plant inspection  
13 agency;

14 (2) (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2005, c.212).

15 (3) (Deleted by amendment, P.L.2005, c.212).

16 j. To enforce and administer the provisions of the "State  
17 Uniform Construction Code Act," P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119  
18 et seq.) and the code promulgated thereunder, and to prosecute or  
19 cause to be prosecuted violators of the provisions of that act or the  
20 code promulgated thereunder in administrative hearings and in civil  
21 proceedings in State and local courts.

22 k. To monitor the compliance of local enforcing agencies with  
23 the provisions of the "State Uniform Construction Code Act,"  
24 P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), to order corrective action  
25 as may be necessary where a local enforcing agency is found to be  
26 failing to carry out its responsibilities under that act, to supplant or  
27 replace the local enforcing agency for a specific project, and to  
28 order it dissolved and replaced by the department where the local  
29 enforcing agency repeatedly or habitually fails to enforce the  
30 provisions of the "State Uniform Construction Code Act." <sup>1</sup>This  
31 shall include the power to compel local enforcing agencies to notify  
32 the department of any instance where the local enforcing agency is  
33 unable to meet a deadline imposed by law or regulation.<sup>1</sup>

34 l. To adopt, amend, and repeal rules and regulations  
35 implementing the provisions of P.L.1999, c.15, P.L.2003, c.44, and  
36 section 1 of P.L.2015, c.146 (C.52:27D-123f) concerning the  
37 installation and maintenance of carbon monoxide sensors.  
38 (cf: P.L.2015, c.146, s.2)

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40 3. Section 14 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-132) is amended to  
41 read as follows:

42 14. a. The enforcing agency shall periodically inspect all  
43 construction undertaken pursuant to a construction permit issued by  
44 it to insure that the construction or alteration is performed in  
45 accordance with the conditions of the construction permit and  
46 consistent with the requirements of the code and any ordinance  
47 implementing said code.

1       b. The owner of any premises upon which a building or  
2 structure is being constructed shall be deemed to have consented to  
3 the inspection by the enforcing agency and the department, of the  
4 entire premises and of any and all construction being performed on  
5 it until a certificate of occupancy has been issued. An inspector, or  
6 team of inspectors, on presentation of proper credentials, shall have  
7 the right to enter and inspect such premises, and any and all  
8 construction thereon, for purposes of ensuring compliance with the  
9 provisions of the applicable construction permit, the code, and other  
10 applicable laws and regulations. All inspection pursuant to **[this**  
11 **act]** P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.) shall be between the  
12 hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on business days, or when construction is  
13 actually being undertaken, provided, however, that inspections may  
14 be conducted at other times if the enforcing agency has reasonable  
15 cause to believe that an immediate danger to life, limb or property  
16 exists, or if permission is given by an owner, or his agent, architect,  
17 engineer or builder. No person shall accompany an inspector or  
18 team of inspectors on any inspection pursuant to **[this act]**  
19 P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), unless his presence is  
20 necessary for the enforcement of **[this act]** P.L.1975, c.217  
21 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), or the code, or unless consent is given by  
22 an owner or his agent, architect, engineer or builder.

23       c. If the construction of a structure or building is being  
24 undertaken contrary to the provisions of a construction permit, **[this**  
25 **act]** P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.), the code, or other  
26 applicable laws or ordinances, the enforcing agency may issue a  
27 stop construction order in writing which shall state the conditions  
28 upon which construction may be resumed and which shall be given  
29 to the owner or the holder of the construction permit or to the  
30 person performing the construction. If the person doing the  
31 construction is not known, or cannot be located with reasonable  
32 effort, the notice may be delivered to the person in charge of, or  
33 apparently in charge of, the construction. No person shall continue,  
34 or cause or allow to be continued, the construction of a building or  
35 structure in violation of a stop construction order, except with the  
36 permission of the enforcing agency to abate a dangerous condition  
37 or remove a violation, or except by court order. If an order to stop  
38 construction is not obeyed, the enforcing agency may apply to the  
39 appropriate court as otherwise established by law for an order  
40 enjoining the violation of the stop construction order. The remedy  
41 for violation of such an order provided in this subsection shall be in  
42 addition to, and not in limitation of, any other remedies provided by  
43 law or ordinance.

44       d. When an inspector or team of inspectors finds a violation of  
45 the provisions of a construction permit, the code, or other applicable  
46 laws and regulations at an owner-occupied single-family residence,  
47 and issues a notice of violation and an order to terminate the  
48 violation, the enforcing agency shall require the same inspector or



1 team of inspectors who found the violation to undertake any  
2 subsequent reinspection thereof at the premises. When the same  
3 inspector or team of inspectors cannot be assigned to undertake the  
4 reinspection, the enforcing agency may assign an available  
5 inspector provided the scope of the reinspection shall be limited to  
6 the violation for which the reinspection is required. The  
7 requirements of this subsection shall not apply to violations of the  
8 plumbing or electrical subcodes, or to fire safety code violations, or  
9 to any violation of any other subcode that the Department of  
10 Community Affairs determines to be a health or safety violation.  
11 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to infringe upon the  
12 right of a property owner to request a different inspector, team of  
13 inspectors, or supervisor, to perform any required reinspection.

14 e. The owner or other responsible person in charge of work  
15 shall notify the enforcing agency when the work is ready for any  
16 required inspection under the code. This notice shall be given at  
17 least 24 hours prior to the time the inspection is desired. <sup>1</sup>【Except  
18 for an expedited inspection performed pursuant to section 1 of  
19 P.L. , c. (C. ) (pending before the Legislature as this bill),  
20 the】 The<sup>1</sup> enforcing agency shall perform an inspection within three  
21 business days of the time for which it was requested.

22 (cf: P.L.2007, c.149, s.1)

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24 4. Section 19 of P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-137) is amended to  
25 read as follows:

26 19. a. At the request of an enforcing agency, the department or  
27 an agency approved by the commissioner may assist an enforcing  
28 agency in the inspection of any construction of buildings or  
29 structures, provided that the enforcing agency has submitted the  
30 plans and specifications for such construction to the department or  
31 such agency, as the case may be, for review as to compliance with  
32 the code and **【this act】** P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.). In  
33 such cases the commissioner shall provide by regulation for fees to  
34 the department or an agency to cover the cost of providing such  
35 services, to be borne ultimately by applicants for construction  
36 permits. The commissioner shall also provide guidance for the  
37 readjustment of municipal fees in accordance with the cost of  
38 services performed by the department or an agency.

39 b. (1) If a local enforcing agency fails to perform an inspection  
40 within three business days of the time for which it was requested, as  
41 required by subsection e. of section 14 of P.L.1975, c.217  
42 (C.52:27D-132), <sup>1</sup>【the owner may elect to retain a private  
43 inspection agency, authorized by the department to perform  
44 inspection services, to perform the remainder of inspections  
45 required for the project. The owner shall notify the local enforcing  
46 agency in writing that the owner has retained a private inspection  
47 agency to perform the remaining inspections, and shall identify the  
48 private inspection agency the owner has selected to conduct

1 inspections. The local enforcing agency shall immediately provide  
2 the private inspection agency a copy of the plans and specifications  
3 for the construction and all other materials relevant to inspection of  
4 work on the project to facilitate the transfer of responsibility for  
5 inspections to the private agency. The local enforcing agency shall  
6 return to the owner a proportional amount of the fees paid by the  
7 owner to the local enforcing agency, consistent with the  
8 commissioner's guidance for the readjustment of fees, provided  
9 pursuant to subsection a. of this section, in order to reflect the  
10 transfer of responsibility to perform the remaining inspections from  
11 the local enforcing agency to a private inspection agency, however,  
12 the local enforcing agency may retain a portion of the fees to cover  
13 its costs associated with its continued responsibilities related to the  
14 project.

15 (2) A private inspection agency that is authorized by the  
16 department to perform inspection services may contract with an  
17 owner to perform the remainder of inspections required for a  
18 construction project, if a local enforcing agency has failed to  
19 perform an inspection within three business days of the time for  
20 which it was requested. A private inspection agency may charge  
21 the owner fees to cover the cost of providing inspection services. A  
22 private inspection agency shall maintain records of all inspections  
23 and any other information that may be required by the department  
24 and shall submit a report to the local enforcing agency after each  
25 inspection. A private inspection agency shall have all of the  
26 powers, and shall be subject to all of the requirements, applicable to  
27 a local enforcing agency with regard to conducting inspections  
28 under P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D-119 et seq.).

29 (3) The local enforcing agency shall observe the progress of a  
30 construction project receiving inspections by a private agency under  
31 this subsection, and shall retain oversight jurisdiction of the project  
32 in order to be responsive to inquiries from the general public and  
33 from special interests, to the needs of the owner and the private  
34 agency, and to the obligations and requirements imposed by the  
35 code.】 or the local enforcing agency determines it is unable to meet  
36 the deadline imposed by that subsection, the local enforcing agency  
37 shall notify the Department of Community Affairs immediately.  
38 Failure to provide such notification shall subject the enforcing agency  
39 to corrective action as authorized under subsection k. of section 6 of  
40 P.L.1975, c.217 (C.52:27D124(k)).<sup>1</sup>  
41 (cf: P.L.1975, c.217, s.19)

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43 5. This act shall take effect <sup>1</sup>【on the first day of the fourth  
44 month next following the date of enactment, however, the  
45 commissioner shall immediately commence the process of  
46 promulgating rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of  
47 this act】 immediately<sup>1</sup>.