

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 1267 (Substitute for House Bill No. 570 by Representative Stokes)

BY REPRESENTATIVES STOKES AND ADAMS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1563(M) and 1574(L), relative to carbon monoxide alarms in certain hotels; to authorize the fire marshal to require carbon monoxide alarms in certain hotels; to provide for definitions; to require the disclosure of a carbon monoxide source in plans submitted to the fire marshal by certain hotel owners, lessees, or agents; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1563(M) and 1574(L) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1563. Powers and duties generally; use of deputies; responsibilities of local governing authorities with fire prevention bureaus; open structures and process structures; fees

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M.(1) The fire marshal, or his designee, shall have the authority to require the owner or lessee of a structure that was in existence as of August 1, 2014, and is utilized as a hotel to install a carbon monoxide alarm system when he determines, as a result of a plan review, investigation, or inspection, that a carbon monoxide source within or attached to the building or structure poses a threat of carbon monoxide poisoning. The source of carbon monoxide may include but not be limited to an attached enclosed garage or fossil-fuel burning appliance or appliances.

(2) For purposes of this Subsection, the following terms mean:

(a) "Attached enclosed garage" means a structure or portion of a structure without openings or openings on only one side that is used for the parking or storage of private motor vehicles.

(b) "Hotel" means a building or structure that was in existence as of August 1, 2014, which is utilized as a residential occupancy building containing sleeping units where the occupants are primarily transient in nature, including boarding houses, hotels, and motels.

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§1574. Construction or repair of structures

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L. An owner or lessee of a hotel, as defined by R.S. 40:1563(M), or the agent of such owner or lessee, shall declare the presence of a carbon monoxide source or the attachment of a parking garage to the hotel at the time building plans and specifications for the hotel are submitted to the fire marshal for review.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_