Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 271

BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

BUILDING CODES: Provides relative to the state uniform construction code

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1730.23(F) and 1730.24(C), relative to the state uniform construction code; to require municipalities and parishes to provide a list of registered certified building inspectors; to prohibit municipalities and parishes from imposing a fee for inspections not performed by the municipality or parish; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.23(F) and 1730.24(C) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1730.23. Enforcement of building codes by municipalities and parishes

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F. Any municipality or parish which issues a permit for construction pursuant to this Part shall provide a list of registered certified building inspectors to the applicant for the permit at the time the permit is issued.

§1730.24. Agreements with other governmental entities for provision of services; private agreements

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C. Municipalities and parishes that establish agreements with other governmental entities of the state or certified third-party providers to enforce the state uniform construction code shall not impose a fee for inspections not performed

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by the municipality or parish if a fee for the inspection was collected by the governmental entity or third-party provider that actually performed the inspection.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires municipalities and parishes to provide permit applicants with a list of registered certified building inspectors; prohibits municipalities and parishes from imposing a fee for inspections not performed by the municipality or parish.

Proposed law requires any municipality or parish which issues a permit for construction pursuant to proposed law to provide a list of registered certified building inspectors to the applicant for the permit at the time the permit is issued.

Present law authorizes municipalities and parishes to establish agreements with other governmental entities of the state or certified third-party providers to issue permits and enforce the state uniform construction code.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the maximum fees applicable to the issuance of permits and the enforcement of the code shall be established by the governing body of the municipality or parish.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law prohibits municipalities and parishes who establish agreements with other governmental entities of the state or certified third-party providers to enforce the state uniform construction code from imposing a fee for inspections not performed by the municipality or parish if a fee for the inspection was collected by the governmental entity or third-party provider that actually performed the inspection.

(Adds R.S. 40:1730.23(F) and 1730.24(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill.

1. Added a provision requiring any municipality or parish which issues a permit for construction to provide a list of registered certified building inspectors to the applicant for the permit at the time the permit is issued.

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