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HOUSE BILL NO. 891

Offered January 25, 1994

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 36-99.2:1, relating to Uniform Statewide Building Code; reinspection of certain buildings.

Patrons—Spruill, Christian, Crittenden, Jones, D.C., Jones, J.C., Melvin, Moore and Robinson; Senators: Lucas, Maxwell and Miller, Y.B.

Referred to Committee on General Laws

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 36-99.2:1 as follows:

§ 36-99.2:1. Reinspection of buildings prior to utility reconnection.

The Board of Housing and Community Development shall promulgate regulations in accordance with the Administrative Process Act (§ 9-6.14:1 et seq.), requiring reinspection of any building before service can be restored to an electric or gas utility installation from which electrical or gas services had been discontinued or transferred for any reason other than nonpayment of service bills, including but not limited to changes in use or occupancy. Such inspections shall be conducted by the local building official to ensure compliance with the Uniform Statewide Building Code. Upon reinspection and approval of any building as required by this section, the local building official shall notify the utility service provider to reconnect service or, in the case of a change in occupancy or use, to transfer service.