

HOUSE BILL 366:

Regulatory Reform Act of 2021, Sec. 12.5: Remote Inspections for North Carolina State Building Code Compliance

Committee: Date: February 23, 2022

Introduced by: Prepared by: Kyle Evans
Analysis of: Sec. 12.5 of S.L. 2021-117
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OVERVIEW: Section 12.5(a) of S.L. 2021-117 directs the Insurance Commissioner, through the Division of Engineering, to develop eligibility criteria to conduct certain inspections required by the North Carolina State Building Code as remote inspections, which are inspections conducted either by interactive real-time audio and video communication with a permit holder or a review of an electronic video recording submitted by the permit holder.

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BILL ANALYSIS:

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