

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 253

BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY

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

BUILDING CODES: Provides relative to certain building code roofing inspections of a commercial or residential structure

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.23(J), relative to inspections of commercial and
3 residential structures; to provide for enforcement of building codes by municipalities
4 and parishes; to provide which individuals may conduct inspections on commercial
5 and residential structures; to provide criteria for roofing inspections; and to provide
6 for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.23(J) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §1730.23. Enforcement of building codes by municipalities and parishes

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11 J. For purposes of code enforcement pursuant to this Section, a ~~property~~
12 ~~registered certified building inspector~~ building code enforcement officer or a
13 certified third-party provider shall conduct all inspections of any commercial or
14 residential structure, ~~with the exception of roofing inspections,~~ and shall be present
15 on site for such inspections. A building code enforcement officer or a certified third-
16 party provider may accept photographs or videos that are location verified with
17 geotagging for required roofing and reroofing inspections of any commercial or
18 residential structure.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates exceptions for roofing inspections of any commercial and residential structure.

Present law requires that a properly registered certified building inspector conduct all inspections of any commercial or residential structure and requires that the inspector be present on site for such inspections.

Proposed law changes present law by requiring that inspections of any commercial or residential structure be done by a building code enforcement officer or a certified third-party provider.

Proposed law requires that all building code enforcement officers or certified third-party providers be on site for inspections, except for roofing inspections.

Proposed law allows a building code enforcement officer or a certified third-party provider to accept photographs or videos that are location verified with geotagging for required roofing and reroofing inspections of any commercial or residential structure.

(Amends R.S. 40:1730.23(J))