

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 468
Insurance Committee Substitute Adopted 5/15/13

Short Title: Align Inspections W/Installer Licensing.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 28, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO SPECIFY THAT WHEN APPLIANCE INSTALLERS ARE LICENSED TO
3 PERFORM ALL ASPECTS OF AN INSTALLATION, JUST ONE PERMIT AND
4 INSPECTION WILL BE REQUIRED.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. G.S. 153A-360 reads as rewritten:

7 "§ 153A-360. Inspections of work in progress.

8 As the work pursuant to a permit progresses, local inspectors shall make as many
9 inspections of the work as may be necessary to satisfy them that it is being done according to
10 the provisions of the applicable State and local laws and local ordinances and regulations and
11 of the terms of the permit. In exercising this power, each member of the inspection department
12 has a right, upon presentation of proper credentials, to enter on any premises within the
13 territorial jurisdiction of the department at any reasonable hour for the purposes of inspection or
14 other enforcement action. If a permit has been obtained by an owner exempt from licensure
15 under G.S. 87-1(b)(2), no inspection shall be conducted without the owner being personally
16 present, unless the plans for the building were drawn and sealed by an architect licensed
17 pursuant to Chapter 83A of the General Statutes. When a person licensed under G.S. 87-21 or
18 G.S. 87-43 performs the installation or replacement of any natural gas, propane gas, or
19 electrical appliance on an existing structure, a county shall not require more than one permit for
20 the complete installation or replacement. The cost of the permit for such work shall not exceed
21 the cost of any one individual trade permit issued by that county."

22 SECTION 2. G.S. 160A-420 reads as rewritten:

23 "§ 160A-420. Inspections of work in progress.

24 As the work pursuant to a permit progresses, local inspectors shall make as many
25 inspections thereof as may be necessary to satisfy them that the work is being done according
26 to the provisions of any applicable State and local laws and of the terms of the permit. In
27 exercising this power, members of the inspection department shall have a right to enter on any
28 premises within the jurisdiction of the department at all reasonable hours for the purposes of
29 inspection or other enforcement action, upon presentation of proper credentials. If a permit has
30 been obtained by an owner exempt from licensure under G.S. 87-1(b)(2), no inspection shall be
31 conducted without the owner being personally present, unless the plans for the building were
32 drawn and sealed by an architect licensed pursuant to Chapter 83A of the General Statutes.
33 When a person licensed under G.S. 87-21 or G.S. 87-43 performs the installation or
34 replacement of any natural gas, propane gas, or electrical appliance on an existing structure, a
35 city shall not require more than one permit for the complete installation or replacement. The



1 cost of the permit for such work shall not exceed the cost of any one individual trade permit
2 issued by that city."

3 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.