

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2285

Introduced by Assembly Member Jones

February 21, 2014

An act to amend Section 17920 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2285, as introduced, Jones. Housing.

Existing law requires every city, county, or city and county to enforce the State Housing Law within its jurisdiction, and defines terms for purposes of that law.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 17920 of the Health and Safety Code is
2 amended to read:
3 17920. As used in this part:
4 (a) "Approved" means acceptable to the department.
5 (b) "Building" means a structure subject to this part.
6 (c) "Building standard" means building standard as defined in
7 Section 18909.
8 (d) "Department" means the Department of Housing and
9 Community Development.

1 (e) “Enforcement” means diligent effort to secure compliance,
2 including review of plans and permit applications, response to
3 complaints, citation of violations, and other legal process. Except
4 as otherwise provided in this part, “enforcement” may, but need
5 not, include inspections of existing buildings on which no
6 complaint or permit application has been filed, and effort to secure
7 compliance as to these existing buildings.

8 (f) “Fire protection district” means any special district, or any
9 other municipal or public corporation or district, ~~which~~ *that* is
10 authorized by law to provide fire protection and prevention
11 services.

12 (g) “Labeled” means equipment or materials to which *there* has
13 been attached a label, symbol, or other identifying mark of an
14 organization, approved by the department, that maintains a periodic
15 inspection program of production of labeled products, installations,
16 equipment, or materials and by whose labeling the manufacturer
17 indicates compliance with appropriate standards or performance
18 in a specified manner.

19 (h) “Listed” means all products that appear in a list published
20 by an approved testing or listing agency.

21 (i) “Listing agency” means an agency approved by the
22 department that is in the business of listing and labeling products,
23 materials, equipment, and installations tested by an approved
24 testing agency, and that maintains a periodic inspection program
25 on current production of listed products, equipment, and
26 installations, and that, at least annually, makes available a published
27 report of these listings.

28 (j) “Noise insulation” means the protection of persons within
29 buildings from excessive noise, however generated, originating
30 within or without such buildings.

31 (k) “Nuisance” means any nuisance defined pursuant to Part 3
32 (commencing with Section 3479) of Division 4 of the Civil Code,
33 or any other form of nuisance recognized at common law or in
34 equity.

35 (l) “Public entity” has the same meaning as defined in Section
36 811.2 of the Government Code.

37 (m) “Testing agency” means an agency approved by the
38 department as qualified and equipped for testing of products,

- 1 materials, equipment, and installations in accordance with
- 2 nationally recognized standards.

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