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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Business & Professions
 2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Ingoglia offered the following:

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5 **Amendment**

6 Between lines 844 and 845, insert:

7 Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) and paragraph
 8 (a) of subsection (7) of section 468.609, Florida Statutes, are
 9 amended to read:

10 468.609 Administration of this part; standards for
 11 certification; additional categories of certification.—

12 (2) A person may take the examination for certification as
 13 a building code inspector or plans examiner pursuant to this
 14 part if the person:

15 (c) Meets eligibility requirements according to one of the
 16 following criteria:

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17 1. Demonstrates 4 ~~5~~ years' combined experience in the
18 field of construction or a related field, building code
19 inspection, or plans review corresponding to the certification
20 category sought;

21 2. Demonstrates a combination of postsecondary education
22 in the field of construction or a related field and experience
23 which totals 3 ~~4~~ years, with at least 1 year of such total being
24 experience in construction, building code inspection, or plans
25 review;

26 3. Demonstrates a combination of technical education in
27 the field of construction or a related field and experience
28 which totals 3 ~~4~~ years, with at least 1 year of such total being
29 experience in construction, building code inspection, or plans
30 review;

31 4. Currently holds a standard certificate issued by the
32 board or a firesafety inspector license issued pursuant to
33 chapter 633, has a minimum of 3 years' verifiable full-time
34 experience in inspection or plan review, and has satisfactorily
35 completed a building code inspector or plans examiner training
36 program that provides at least 100 hours but not more than 200
37 hours of cross-training in the certification category sought.
38 The board shall establish by rule criteria for the development
39 and implementation of the training programs. The board shall
40 accept all classroom training offered by an approved provider if

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41 the content substantially meets the intent of the classroom
42 component of the training program;

43 5. Demonstrates a combination of the completion of an
44 approved training program in the field of building code
45 inspection or plan review and a minimum of 2 years' experience
46 in the field of building code inspection, plan review, fire code
47 inspections and fire plans review of new buildings as a
48 firesafety inspector certified under s. 633.216, or
49 construction. The approved training portion of this requirement
50 shall include proof of satisfactory completion of a training
51 program that provides at least 200 hours but not more than 300
52 hours of cross-training that is approved by the board in the
53 chosen category of building code inspection or plan review in
54 the certification category sought with at least 20 hours but not
55 more than 30 hours of instruction in state laws, rules, and
56 ethics relating to professional standards of practice, duties,
57 and responsibilities of a certificateholder. The board shall
58 coordinate with the Building Officials Association of Florida,
59 Inc., to establish by rule the development and implementation of
60 the training program. However, the board shall accept all
61 classroom training offered by an approved provider if the
62 content substantially meets the intent of the classroom
63 component of the training program;

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64 6. Currently holds a standard certificate issued by the
65 board or a firesafety inspector license issued pursuant to
66 chapter 633 and:

67 a. Has at least 4 ~~5~~ years' verifiable full-time experience
68 as an inspector or plans examiner in a standard certification
69 category currently held or has a minimum of 4 ~~5~~ years'
70 verifiable full-time experience as a firesafety inspector
71 licensed pursuant to chapter 633.

72 b. Has satisfactorily completed a building code inspector
73 or plans examiner classroom training course or program that
74 provides at least 200 but not more than 300 hours in the
75 certification category sought, except for one-family and two-
76 family dwelling training programs, which must provide at least
77 500 but not more than 800 hours of training as prescribed by the
78 board. The board shall establish by rule criteria for the
79 development and implementation of classroom training courses and
80 programs in each certification category; or

81 7.a. Has completed a 4-year internship certification
82 program as a building code inspector or plans examiner while
83 employed full-time by a municipality, county, or other
84 governmental jurisdiction, under the direct supervision of a
85 certified building official. Proof of graduation with a related
86 vocational degree or college degree or of verifiable work
87 experience may be exchanged for the internship experience

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88 requirement year-for-year, but may reduce the requirement to no
89 less than 1 year.

90 b. Has passed an examination administered by the
91 International Code Council in the certification category sought.
92 Such examination must be passed before beginning the internship
93 certification program.

94 c. Has passed the principles and practice examination
95 before completing the internship certification program.

96 d. Has passed a board-approved 40-hour code training
97 course in the certification category sought before completing
98 the internship certification program.

99 e. Has obtained a favorable recommendation from the
100 supervising building official after completion of the internship
101 certification program.

102 (7) (a) The board shall provide for the issuance of
103 provisional certificates valid for 2 years ~~1 year~~, as specified
104 by board rule, to any building code inspector or plans examiner
105 who meets the eligibility requirements described in subsection
106 (2) and any newly employed or promoted building code
107 administrator who meets the eligibility requirements described
108 in subsection (3). The provisional license may be renewed by the
109 board for just cause; however, a provisional license is not
110 valid for longer than 3 years.

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