
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1047 Session of
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INTRODUCED BY DELOZIER, MOUL, NEILSON, N. NELSON AND SMITH,
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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,
APRIL 28, 2023

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), entitled
2 "An act establishing a uniform construction code; imposing
3 powers and duties on municipalities and the Department of
4 Labor and Industry; providing for enforcement; imposing
5 penalties; and making repeals," in training and certification
6 of inspectors, further providing for training of inspectors.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 701 of the act of November 10, 1999
10 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code
11 Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read:

12 Section 701. Training of inspectors.

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14 (1) Trainee classification.--

15 (1) The department may, by regulation, establish a
16 separate trainee classification for each certification
17 category.

18 (2) The trainee classification shall be considered
19 optional for all individuals seeking certification under this

1 act.

2 (3) An applicant for trainee classification must secure
3 the sponsorship of an individual certified in each category
4 for which the trainee seeks certification. Each sponsor must
5 be verified by an affidavit form provided by the department.

6 (4) A trainee classification is nonrenewable and shall
7 be limited to a:

8 (i) two-year time period for residential and
9 accessibility certification categories; and

10 (ii) three-year time period for all other
11 certification categories.

12 (5) Individuals with trainee classifications may learn
13 the duties of a certified individual while under the
14 supervision of a sponsor described in paragraph (3). On-the-
15 job training shall occur under direct supervision by the
16 sponsor or by an individual certified in the category of work
17 that is the subject of the training. An inspector trainee may
18 not conduct inspections unless the inspector trainee is
19 accompanied by an individual certified in the category of
20 work that is the subject of the training.

21 (6) The department may establish fees and applications
22 and registration procedures to establish the trainee
23 classification system. Individuals with trainee
24 classifications shall be listed on the department's publicly
25 accessible Internet website.

26 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.