

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1210
(Representatives Froseth, Brandenburg, Ekstrom, S. Kelsh)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-21.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to recognition of third-party building, electrical, fire, and plumbing inspections for modular residential and commercial structures.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. If Senate Bill No. 2032 of the fifty-seventh legislative assembly does not become effective, a new section to chapter 54-21.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Modular residential and commercial structures - Third-party inspections - Rules. The manufacturer of a modular residential or commercial structure that is built in a factory may contract with a third party for the inspection of the structure for compliance with all applicable building, electrical, fire, and plumbing codes and standards during the manufacturing process in the factory. A third party that conducts inspections and certifies compliance with all applicable codes and standards must be approved as a certified third-party inspector by the director of the office of management and budget. The director of the office of management and budget shall adopt rules for the certification of inspectors and for the procedures to be followed in conducting inspections of modular residential and commercial structures. If a manufacturer of modular residential or commercial structures contracts with a certified third-party inspector to monitor compliance with all applicable building, electrical, fire, and plumbing codes and standards for a modular residential or commercial structure, no further inspection by state or local building, electrical, fire, or plumbing inspectors may be required for that structure during the manufacturing process in the factory.

SECTION 2. If Senate Bill No. 2032 of the fifty-seventh legislative assembly becomes effective, a new section to chapter 54-21.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Modular residential and commercial structures - Third-party inspections - Rules. The manufacturer of a modular residential or commercial structure that is built in a factory may contract with a third party for the inspection of the structure for compliance with all applicable building, electrical, fire, and plumbing codes and standards during the manufacturing process in the factory. A third party that conducts inspections and certifies compliance with all applicable codes and standards must be approved as a certified third-party inspector by the division of community services. The department of commerce shall adopt rules for the certification of inspectors and for the procedures to be followed in conducting inspections of modular residential and commercial structures. If a manufacturer of modular residential or commercial structures contracts with a certified third-party inspector to monitor compliance with all applicable building, electrical, fire, and plumbing codes and standards for a modular residential or commercial structure, no further inspection by state or local building, electrical, fire, or plumbing inspectors may be required for that structure during the manufacturing process in the factory.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1210.

House Vote: Yeas 84 Nays 14 Absent 0

Senate Vote: Yeas 46 Nays 2 Absent 1

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2001.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2001.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2001,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State