

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HOUSE BILL

No. 298 Session of  
2017

INTRODUCED BY DELOZIER, KAUFFMAN, GERGELY, V. BROWN, MAHER,  
MURT, PICKETT, RAPP, MOUL, DEASY, KORTZ, JOZWIAK AND  
MICCARELLI, FEBRUARY 2, 2017

SENATOR WARD, LABOR AND INDUSTRY, IN SENATE, AS AMENDED,  
JUNE 21, 2018

## 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.

13 \* \* \*

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

1 optional for all individuals seeking certification under this  
2 act.

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

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

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

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

13 (5) Individuals with trainee classifications may learn  
14 the duties of a certified individual while under the  
15 supervision of a sponsor described in paragraph (3). ON-THE- <--  
16 JOB TRAINING SHALL OCCUR UNDER DIRECT SUPERVISION BY THE  
17 SPONSOR OR BY AN INDIVIDUAL CERTIFIED IN THE CATEGORY OF WORK  
18 THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE TRAINING.

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

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