
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 568 Session of
2015

INTRODUCED BY EVANKOVICH, DIAMOND, HEFFLEY, GROVE, WARNER,
SANKEY, ZIMMERMAN, OBERLANDER, HELM, GABLER AND CUTLER,
FEBRUARY 23, 2015

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, FEBRUARY 23, 2015

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 exemptions, applicability
6 and penalties, further providing for applicability to certain
7 buildings.

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

10 Section 1. Section 902(c) of the act of November 10, 1999
11 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code
12 Act, amended December 22, 2005 (P.L.478, No.95), is amended to
13 read:

14 Section 902. Applicability to certain buildings.

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16 (c) Uncertified buildings over which the department does not
17 have jurisdiction.--

18 (1) A construction code official shall issue a
19 certificate of occupancy to an uncertified building if it
20 meets the requirements of subsection (b), the latest adopted

1 version of the International Existing Building Code or
2 Chapter 34 of the International Building Code[,]; and the
3 construction code official shall utilize the code [for the
4 municipality which] that, in his professional judgment, he
5 deems to best apply.

6 (2) A construction code official may deny the issuance
7 of a certificate of occupancy if the official deems that a
8 building is unsafe because of inadequate means of egress,
9 inadequate lighting and ventilation, fire hazards or other
10 dangers to human life or to public welfare.

11 [(3) A municipality subject to this subsection may
12 utilize the standards of subsection (b) for the issuance of
13 certificates of occupancy to uncertified buildings by
14 adopting an ordinance adopting the standards of issuance
15 pursuant to the procedures delineated in section 503.]

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