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An Act To Require Carbon Monoxide Detectors in Additional Residential Occupancies

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 25 MRSA §2468, sub-§2, ¶¶B and C, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 162, §5, are repealed and the following enacted in their place:

B. Any addition to or restoration of:

(1) An existing single-family dwelling that adds at least one bedroom to the dwelling unit; or

(2) A fraternity house, sorority house or dormitory established on or after August 1, 2012 that is affiliated with a private or public school or private or public postsecondary institution incorporated or chartered under the laws of this State; or

C. Any conversion of a building to:

(1) A single-family dwelling;

(2) A hotel, motel, inn or bed and breakfast upon initial licensure as an eating and lodging place or a lodging place under Title 22, chapter 562 on or after August 1, 2012; or

(3) A fraternity house, sorority house or dormitory established on or after August 1, 2012 that is affiliated with a private or public school or private or public postsecondary institution incorporated or chartered under the laws of this State.

Sec. 2. 25 MRSA §2468, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2009, c. 551, §8, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

4. New construction. A person who constructs any of the following shall install or cause to be installed at least one carbon monoxide detector in each area within, or giving access to, any bedroom in the new construction of:

A. A single-family dwelling;

B. A hotel, motel, inn or bed and breakfast upon initial licensure of that new construction as an eating and lodging place or a lodging place under Title 22, chapter 562 on or after August 1, 2012; or

C. A fraternity house, sorority house or dormitory established on or after August 1, 2012 that is affiliated with a private or public school or private or public postsecondary institution incorporated or chartered under the laws of this State.

The carbon monoxide detector must be powered both by the electrical service in the building or dwelling and by battery.

Effective 90 days following adjournment of the 125th
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