



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5394

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**AN ACT CONCERNING SMOKE AND CARBON MONOXIDE
DETECTORS AND ALARMS IN RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2012*) (a) All residential
2 buildings designed to be occupied by one family that are not subject to
3 the provisions of subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of subsection (a)
4 of section 29-292 of the general statutes shall be equipped with smoke
5 detection and warning equipment.

6 (b) All residential buildings designed to be occupied by one or two
7 families that are not subject to the provisions of subparagraph (A) of
8 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 29-292 of the general
9 statutes shall be equipped with carbon monoxide detection and
10 warning equipment, unless such building does not contain a fuel-
11 burning appliance, fireplace or attached garage.

12 (c) Such smoke detection and warning equipment and carbon
13 monoxide detection and warning equipment shall be of a type or
14 technology that is readily available for retail sale and be tested and
15 certified pursuant to standards issued by the American National
16 Standards Institute and Underwriters Laboratories. Such equipment
17 may be powered solely by battery and may combine smoke and
18 carbon monoxide detection technology into a single device.

19 (d) In order to comply with the provisions of subsection (a) or (b) of
20 this section, or both, as applicable, an owner of a residential building
21 shall install such equipment on each level of the building used for
22 human occupancy and the basement level, if any, as follows: Such
23 equipment shall be installed outside each separate sleeping area in the
24 immediate vicinity of such area and on the ceiling of each stairway
25 between levels.

26 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2012*) Whenever any residential
27 building, including a private dwelling occupied by one or two families,
28 is occupied during interior alterations or additions or other interior
29 construction work requiring a permit, the temporary installation of
30 battery-operated smoke detection and warning equipment and, if there
31 is a combustion source present, battery-operated carbon monoxide
32 detection and warning equipment shall be required in the vicinity of,
33 and during the performance of, such alterations, additions or
34 construction work. Such equipment shall be of a type or technology
35 that is readily available for retail sale and be tested and certified
36 pursuant to standards issued by the American National Standards
37 Institute and Underwriters Laboratories. Such equipment may
38 combine smoke and carbon monoxide detection technology into a
39 single device.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2012</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2012</i>	New section

PS *Joint Favorable Subst.*