



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 330

LCO No. 2070



Referred to Committee on PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by:
(PD)

AN ACT CONCERNING DEMOLITION PERMITS.

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

1 Section 1. Section 29-406 of the 2016 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective October 1, 2016*):

4 (a) No person shall demolish any building, structure or part thereof
5 without obtaining a permit for the particular demolition undertaking
6 from the building official of the town, city or borough wherein such
7 building or part thereof is located. No person shall be eligible to
8 receive a permit under this section unless such person furnishes to the
9 building official: (1) Written notice of financial responsibility in the
10 form of a certificate of insurance specifying demolition purposes and
11 providing liability coverage for bodily injury of at least one hundred
12 thousand dollars per person with an aggregate of at least three
13 hundred thousand dollars, and for property damage of at least fifty
14 thousand dollars per accident with an aggregate of at least one
15 hundred thousand dollars; (2) written notice in the form of a certificate
16 of notice executed by all public utilities having service connections

17 within the premises proposed to be demolished, stating that such
18 utilities have severed such connections and service; (3) written notice
19 that such person is the holder of a current valid license issued under
20 the provisions of section 29-402, or is exempted from such license
21 requirement as provided in subsection (c) of said section; and (4) a
22 written declaration by such person that the town or city and its agents
23 shall be saved harmless from any claim or claims arising out of the
24 negligence of the applicant or the applicant's agents or employees in
25 the course of the demolition operations. No permit shall be issued
26 under this section unless signed by the owner and the demolition
27 contractor. Each such permit shall contain a printed intention on the
28 part of the signers to comply with the provisions of this part.

29 (b) [In addition to the powers granted pursuant to this part, any]
30 Any town, city or borough may impose, by ordinance, a waiting
31 period of not more than one hundred eighty days before granting any
32 permit for the demolition of any building or structure or any part
33 thereof, except when the demolition permit is required for the removal
34 of a structure acquired by the Department of Transportation for a
35 transportation project.

36 (c) If a waiting period is imposed by a town, city or borough
37 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the person seeking the
38 permit shall take no action toward demolition of the building,
39 structure or part thereof, including, but not limited to, site remediation
40 and asbestos abatement, during the waiting period. The provisions of
41 this subsection shall not apply in the event that the building official
42 determines that compliance with this subsection would result in a
43 danger to public health.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2016	29-406

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit individuals seeking demolition permits from taking action toward demolition in the event that a waiting period has been imposed by the municipality, unless the building official has determined that a danger to public health will result.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]