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**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 514*****AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF CERTAIN FEES BY BUILDING OFFICIALS.*****SUMMARY**

This bill allows local building officials to impose a fee on individuals who work on a building, structure, or electrical, gas, mechanical, or plumbing system before obtaining a required building permit, or on the owners of these properties. The officials may establish and assess a fee that is up to twice the required permit fees and is in addition to those fees. (By law unchanged by the bill, anyone replacing equipment or making repairs in an emergency situation may do the necessary work and submit the required permit on the next business day.)

Under existing law, unchanged by the bill, (1) local building officials may issue a stop work order whenever someone commences work without a required building permit and (2) a municipality's legal counsel may commence an action in Superior Court against anyone who violates the state building code (a violation of which is punishable by a fine of \$200 to \$1,000, six months imprisonment, or both).

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2019

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 22 Nay 0 (03/15/2019)