

HB 2168 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Business and Labor

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires municipality that employs person to conduct speciality code inspection to provide person with required equipment. Requires municipality that contracts with person to conduct speciality code inspection to ensure person possess or has access to required equipment. Provides that person conducting inspection using equipment provided by contractor, subcontractor, material supplier, or property owner assumes risk and may not bring action for injury resulting from use of equipment.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Building inspectors do not always bring equipment to the work site to assist them in the performance of the inspection. For example, an inspector who needs to access the roof may rely on the contractor's ladders or lifts. If an accident occurs while the building inspector is using the contractor's ladder, the question of who is liable arises.

House Bill 2168 clarifies that the building inspector assumes the risk of injury when using equipment belonging to the contractor, subcontractor, material supplier, or property owner.