

# Legislative Analysis

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## **CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS: REQUIRE IN HOTEL ROOMS**

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**House Bill 4730**

**Sponsor: Rep. Steve Bieda**

**Committee: Regulatory Reform**

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### **A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4730 AS INTRODUCED 5-9-07**

The bill would require carbon monoxide detectors to be installed in each room of a hotel structure where individuals reside or sleep temporarily. "Hotel structure" would be defined to mean any building or structure designed to allow members of the general public to temporarily reside or sleep. The bill would add a new section to the Stille-DeRossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act.

Under the bill, the director of the Department of Labor and Economic Growth (DLEG) would have to promulgate departmental rules establishing standards and requirements for the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in hotel structures where individuals reside or sleep temporarily. The director would also have to include provisions in the construction code requiring the installation of carbon monoxide detectors beginning with the code cycle occurring after the date the rules became effective.

Beginning one year after the effective date of the departmental rules, the owner or operator of a hotel structure would have to install one or more carbon monoxide detectors in each room in which people temporarily sleep or reside.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

Department estimates for FY 2008 indicate there will be at least a \$500,000 shortfall for the Bureau of Construction Code Enforcement's existing responsibilities, even if existing fund balances are entirely used to partially offset the revenue shortfall. This bill does not provide for any additional fee increases, but could cost at least \$1 million annually in order to replace staff that will be laid off in FY 2008 and hire additional inspectors.

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