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RELATING TO SAFETY INSPECTIONS; REQUIRING THE PUBLIC
REGULATION COMMISSION TO ISSUE RULES REQUIRING INSPECTION OF
FIRE AND SMOKE DAMPERS AND FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION STANDARDS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. A new section of Chapter 59A, Article 52 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"FIRE AND SMOKE DAMPER AND FIRE CONTROL SYSTEMS-COMMISSION RULES.--

A. The public regulation commission shall issue rules requiring the inspection and testing of fire and smoke dampers and smoke control systems in accordance with national fire protection association standards in places of assembly, educational occupancies, institutional occupancies, residential occupancies consisting of four or more family units, mercantile occupancies, office occupancies, industrial occupancies, storage occupancies and miscellaneous structures consisting of towers, underground structures and windowless buildings and all buildings owned or occupied by the state or any political subdivision thereof or by municipal governments.

- B. The rules shall require that:
 - (1) inspection and testing be conducted by

1	the state or a political subdivision of the state with a fire		
2	and life safety enforcement program or other person		
3	possessing a fire life safety certification from a program		
4	accredited by the American national standards institute; and		
5	(2) the person conducting the inspection or		
6	test shall submit findings of noncompliance to the owner of		
7	the public occupancy and to the state fire marshal."	SCORC/SB Page 2	143
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