CHAPTER 12

SENATE BILL No. 187*

AN ACT enacting the state fire marshal commissioned inspector act.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

- Section 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the state fire marshal commissioned inspector act.
 - Sec. 2. As used in the state fire marshal commissioned inspector act:
- (a) "Building" means any building owned, maintained or controlled by the state board of regents.
- (b) "Commissioned inspector" means an employee of a state educational institution who has been appointed by the state fire marshal, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-3137, and amendments thereto, to inspect buildings in conjunction with the office of the state fire marshal.
 - (c) "Employee" means an employee of a state educational institution.
- (d) "Local fire authority" means the fire department of the city, county, township or fire district having jurisdiction over the area in which a building is located.
- (e) "State educational institution" has the meaning ascribed thereto by K.S.A.76-711, and amendments thereto.
- (f) "State fire marshal" means the state fire marshal appointed pursuant to K.S.A. 75-1510, and amendments thereto.
- Sec. 3. The state fire marshal and any state educational institution may enter into an agreement under which employees of the state educational institution are commissioned by the state fire marshal to inspect buildings. Such agreements shall include provisions relating to:
- (a) The scope of the powers, duties and functions of commissioned inspectors and any limitations on such powers, duties and functions.
- (b) The procedures that will be followed by commissioned inspectors in conducting inspections and reporting the results of such inspections.
- (c) Subject to section 4, and amendments thereto, the qualifications of an employee who may be appointed as a commissioned inspector.
- (d) Subject to section 4, and amendments thereto, the term or length of time an employee shall be appointed as a commissioned inspector.
- (e) The procedures or conditions under which an appointment as a commissioned inspector may be revoked by the state fire marshal.
- (f) Notification of the local fire authority of the time and location of inspections to be conducted by a commissioned inspector and the results of any such inspection.
 - (g) Any other terms the parties deem necessary or advisable.
- Sec. 4. (a) An employee may not be appointed as a commissioned inspector unless such employee: (1) Is a fire inspector 1, or higher; and (2) has successfully completed the Kansas building fire safety class.
- (b) An employee may be appointed as a commissioned inspector for a term not to exceed one year. Upon the expiration of the term, an employee may be reappointed as a commissioned inspector.
- Sec. 5. (a) An employee of a state educational institution who is appointed as a commissioned inspector shall not be considered an employee of the office of state fire marshal.
- (b) An employee of a state educational institution who is appointed as a commissioned inspector shall receive no monetary compensation from the office of the state fire marshal for performing powers, duties or functions of a commissioned inspector.
- Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

Approved March 24, 2009.