

HB 2057 -- Licensure of Home Inspectors

Sponsor: Parson

This bill requires home inspectors to be licensed by the Division of Professional Registration within the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration. In its main provisions, the bill:

- (1) Establishes the Missouri Home Inspectors Board to implement the licensure program;
- (2) Requires persons conducting home inspections to be licensed by the board;
- (3) Establishes the criteria for the supervision, training, and licensure of home inspector apprentices;
- (4) Provides licensing exemptions for certain individuals, businesses, and associations;
- (5) Creates within the state treasury the Missouri Home Inspectors' Fund to be used by the board for its costs;
- (6) Authorizes the board to establish licensing qualifications and an application process, develop and publish standards of professional conduct, approve courses of instruction, specify the form and content of examinations, and establish continuing education requirements and reciprocity agreements; and
- (7) Authorizes the board to refuse to issue, suspend, or revoke licenses and cause complaints to be filed against licensees with the Administrative Hearing Commission as specified in the bill.

Any person violating these provisions will be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

The bill becomes effective January 1, 2009.