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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

# HOUSE BILL NO. 46

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

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## AN ACT

To repeal section 67.281 as enacted by senate substitute no. 2 for senate committee substitute for house bill no. 103, ninety-fifth general assembly, first regular session, and section 67.281 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate bill no. 513, ninety-fifth general assembly, first regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to fire sprinkler system installation.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Section 67.281 as enacted by senate substitute no. 2 for senate committee substitute for house bill no. 103, ninety-fifth general assembly, first regular session, and section 67.281 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate bill no. 513, ninety-fifth general assembly, first regular session, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 67.281, to read as follows:

67.281. **1.** A builder of [single-family] **one- or two-family** dwellings or [residences or multi-unit dwellings of four or fewer units] **townhouses** shall offer to any purchaser on or before the time of entering into the purchase contract the option, at the purchaser's cost, to install or equip fire sprinklers in the dwelling[, residence,] or [unit] **townhouse**. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no purchaser of such a [single-family] **one- or two-family** dwelling[, residence,] or [multi-unit dwelling] **townhouse** shall be denied the right to choose or decline to install a fire sprinkler system in such dwelling or [residence] **townhouse** being purchased by any code, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, or resolution by any county or other political subdivision. Any county or other political subdivision shall provide in any such code, ordinance, rule, regulation, order, or resolution the mandatory option for purchasers to have the right to choose and the requirement that builders offer to purchasers the option to purchase fire

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

12 sprinklers in connection with the purchase of any [single family] **one- or two-family** dwelling[,  
13 residence,] or [multi-unit dwelling of four or fewer units] **townhouse**. The provisions of this  
14 section shall expire on December 31, [2011] **2019**.

15 **2. Any governing body of any political subdivision that adopts the 2009**  
16 **International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings or a subsequent**  
17 **edition of such code without mandated automatic fire sprinkler systems in Section R313**  
18 **of such code shall retain the language in section R317 for two-family dwellings (R317.1)**  
**and townhouses (R317.2).**

2 [67.281. On or before the date of entering into a purchase contract, any  
3 builder of single-family dwellings or residences or multifamily dwellings of four  
4 or fewer units shall offer to any purchaser the option to install or equip such  
5 dwellings or residences with a fire sprinkler system at the purchaser's cost.  
6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, no code, order,  
7 ordinance, rule, regulation, or resolution adopted by any political subdivision  
8 shall be construed to deny any purchaser of any such dwelling or residence the  
9 option to choose or decline the installation or equipping of such dwelling or  
10 residence with a fire sprinkler system. Any code, order, ordinance, rule,  
11 regulation, or resolution adopted by any political subdivision shall include a  
12 provision requiring each builder to provide each purchaser of any such dwelling  
13 or residence with the option of purchasing a fire sprinkler system for such  
dwelling or residence. This section shall expire on December 31, 2011.]