

Senate Bill 377

By: Senators Jones of the 25th, Burke of the 11th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd

AS PASSED

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Titles 8 and 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to buildings
2 and housing and insurance, respectively, so as to change certain requirements related to
3 building inspections; to increase the number of buildings for which a private professional
4 provider may provide required plan reviews and inspections when the county or municipality
5 is unable to provide such services within a certain time period; to reduce the number of
6 required elevator inspections per year; to remove the requirement that certain parties with
7 whom the Department of Insurance contracts must perform the administration of certain
8 duties of the Commissioner of Insurance and receive fees for services directly from
9 consumers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal
10 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

12 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

13 Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to buildings and housing, is
14 amended in Code Section 8-2-26, relating to enforcement of codes generally, employment
15 and training of inspectors, and contracts for administration and enforcement of codes, by
16 revising paragraph (17) of subsection (g) as follows:

17 ~~"(17) This subsection shall not apply to hospitals, ambulatory health care centers, nursing~~
18 ~~homes, jails, penal institutions, airports, buildings or structures that impact national or~~
19 ~~state homeland security, or any building defined as a high-rise building in the State~~
20 ~~Minimum Standards Code; provided, however, that interior tenant build-out projects~~
21 ~~within high-rise buildings are not exempt from this subsection. Reserved."~~

22 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 2.**

23 Said title is further amended in Code Section 8-2-102, relating to inspections, by revising
24 paragraph (1) of subsection (a) as follows:

