

Senate Bill 374

By: Senator Strickland of the 42nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia  
2 Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding buildings generally, so as to authorize  
3 local fire ordinances requiring fire sprinklers in certain multifamily dwellings; to provide for  
4 related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating  
8 to general provisions regarding buildings generally, is amended by revising Code Section  
9 8-2-4, relating to certain residential fire sprinkler requirements prohibited, as follows:

10 "8-2-4.

11 Neither the state residential and fire building code nor any residential and fire building  
12 code adopted by a political subdivision of the state adopted after May 24, 2010, shall  
13 include a requirement that fire sprinklers be installed in a single-family dwelling or a  
14 residential building that contains no more than two dwelling units. This Code section shall  
15 not preclude any political subdivision of the state from adopting an ordinance requiring fire  
16 sprinklers to be installed in residential buildings that contain more than two dwelling units."

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**SECTION 2.**

18 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.