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LEGISLATIVE BILL 947

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Committee: Urban Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Building Construction Act; to amend
- 2 section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to allow virtual
- inspection for certain building permits as prescribed; to require
- 4 certain inspection records be made available to the public; to
- 5 harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 71-6401 Sections 71-6401 to 71-6408 <u>and section 2 of this act</u>shall
- 4 be known and may be cited as the Building Construction Act.
- 5 Sec. 2. <u>(1) For purposes of this section:</u>
- 6 (a) Authorized inspector means an individual credentialed with the
- 7 state agency, county, city, or village issuing permits or a third-party
- 8 <u>inspector registered or licensed with the State of Nebraska contracted as</u>
- 9 a result of project specification requirements. Authorized inspector does
- 10 <u>not include an individual performing a self-performed inspection for the</u>
- 11 <u>individual's own permit or building; and</u>
- 12 (b) Inspection records means the pass or fail results, including the
- 13 reasons for failure or deviation from project specifications, of any
- 14 inspection required by the permitting entity as a condition of
- 15 construction in association with the address of the permit requested or
- 16 issued.
- 17 (2)(a) Any state agency, county, city, or village that requires an
- 18 inspection as part of a building permit may allow for virtual inspection
- 19 by an authorized inspector if the following conditions are met:
- 20 <u>(i) The inspection is of an area of a building that is less than</u>
- 21 three stories in height and under ten thousand square feet;
- 22 (ii) The individual requesting or holding the building permit has
- 23 provided a list of personnel who are completing the work onsite; and
- 24 (iii) Except as provided in subdivision (b) of this subsection, the
- 25 virtual inspection is conducted live with both the individual requesting
- 26 <u>or holding the building permit and the authorized inspector.</u>
- 27 (b) Inspections required for building permits of a nonstructural
- 28 nature, as determined by the permitting entity, or any reinspection may
- 29 <u>be conducted using video or photo documentation.</u>
- 30 (3) Any state agency, county, city, or village that requires an
- 31 inspection by an authorized inspector as part of a building permit or

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1 <u>structural scope of project shall make inspection records available to</u>

- 2 <u>the public if the structure for which the permit was requested or issued</u>
- 3 <u>is standing at the time of the request.</u>
- 4 Sec. 3. Original section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Supplement,
- 5 2023, is repealed.