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Sponsor(s) Newman, Doyle & Fitzpatrick

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Committee: Assembly Municipal Government

Senate Revenue, Finance & Appropriations

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MAY 2, 1974

By Assemblymen NEWMAN, DOYLE and FITZPATRICK

Referred to Committee on Municipal Government

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2 *of New Jersey:*

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2 read as follows:

3 3. All equipment shall be installed and maintained in a safe
4 operating condition and in conformity with the rules and regula-
5 tions adopted under section 2 of this act; *however, the inspection*
6 *of ***[domestic]*** propane gas equipment installations ***inside of***
7 *predominantly residential buildings and those above ground in-*
8 *stallations which are on the outside of predominantly residential*
9 *buildings *** may be made and approved or disapproved by the***
10 *plumbing inspector of the respective municipality pursuant to the*
11 *standards promulgated by the Commissioner of the Department of*
12 *Labor and Industry or the Superintendent of State Police, as the*
13 *case may be. ***For purposes of this act "predominantly residen-***
14 *tial" means and includes buildings in which people reside or dwell*
15 *as distinguished from buildings which are used entirely for com-*
16 *mercial or business purposes. The term shall also include any*
17 *building having 51% or more of its total floor space devoted to*
18 *dwelling purposes.**

1 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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

LAW OFFICE
NEW JERSEY
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STATEMENT

This bill permits local plumbing inspectors to inspect the installation of all equipment concerning domestic propane gas in their respective municipalities.

SENATE REVENUE, FINANCE AND APPROPRIATIONS
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO
ASSEMBLY, No. 1659

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: SEPTEMBER 19, 1974

This bill was amended by the committee to clarify the meaning of "domestic" as relating to liquefied propane gas installations. Since the word "domestic" was considered ambiguous, it was deleted and the bill amended to permit municipal plumbing inspectors to inspect liquefied petroleum installations inside of buildings as well as installations outside of buildings but above ground. Inspections of underground installations are not included. However, the committee's amendment limits the inspection authority to "predominantly residential" buildings.

It is not the intent of the committee's amendment to permit local plumbing inspectors to inspect installations for nonresidential buildings regardless of where the propane gas equipment is installed, i.e. outside or inside of the building, above ground or underground.

This bill permits local inspections in accordance with the standards of the Department of Labor and Industry or the State Police, as the case may be.

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

JULY 23, 1975

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

DICK CAMPBELL

Governor Brendan Byrne signed into law Wednesday a bill to provide state regulation of clinical laboratories.

The bill, A-2329, sponsored by Assemblyman Thomas J. Deverin, D-Middlesex, provides for the licensing and regulation of clinical laboratories by the State Department of Health.

"For the first time, the Department will be able to establish performance standards in an area which has been subject to abuse in New Jersey," said Byrne. "There has been continuing evidence over the past several years that some laboratories are inadequate and that these inadequacies have jeopardized the health of our citizens."

The measure provides that the standards set by the Department shall be equal to or higher than the standards in effect in the federal law to regulate clinical laboratories which deal in interstate commerce.

The bill also calls on the Department to test the proficiency of clinical laboratories to determine if the standards are being met, and to develop consultation and training programs to improve the quality of performance at laboratories.

The measure empowers the State Health Commission to suspend or revoke a license for violations of the law.

Byrne also signed into law A-1659 a bill which authorizes municipal plumbing inspectors to inspect and approve or disapprove the installation of propane gas equipment into residential buildings.

The measure, sponsored by Assemblyman Daniel F. Newman, D-Ocean, provides that the municipal inspector may make the inspections according to the standards established by the Department of Labor and Industry and the State Police.

The Governor said that with the increased use of propane gas because of the natural gas shortage, the bill will help ensure the proper inspection of such facilities.

At the present time, the inspections are conducted by the Department and the State Police.

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