

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE BILL NO. 204

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANDLER

BUILDING CODES: Exempts certain areas from enforcement of the International Residential Code

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.23(A), relative to the State Uniform Construction Code;
3 to provide for exemption of certain municipalities and parishes from enforcing the
4 International Residential Code; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.23(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1730.23. Enforcement of building codes by municipalities and parishes

8 A.(1) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary relating to the authority
9 of local governments to enforce construction codes, all municipalities and parishes
10 in this state shall enforce only the construction codes provided for in this Part, except
11 as provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection. All municipalities and parishes shall
12 use building code enforcement officers or certified third-party providers contracted
13 by the municipality, parish, or regional planning commission to act in the capacity
14 of a building code enforcement officer to enforce the provisions of this Part.
15 Enforcement procedures by code enforcement officers or third-party providers acting
16 in the capacity of a code enforcement officer shall include examination or review of
17 plans, drawings, or specifications; the conducting of inspections; and the issuance,
18 denial, or revocation of permits. Nothing in this Subsection shall be construed to
19 prevent a commercial or residential contractor or homeowner from using a third-
20 party provider as provided for in R.S. 40:1730.24(B).

