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By Mr. Walsh, a petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1857) of Joseph B. Walsh for legislation relative to the inspection and regulation of licenses for building. Urban Affairs.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

### AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE INSPECTION AND REGULATION OF LICENSES FOR BUILDING.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 3A of chapter 143 of the General Laws as most re-  
2 cently amended by Chapter 144 of the Acts of 1975 is hereby  
3 further amended by striking out the first paragraph and in-  
4 serting in place thereof the following paragraph: —

5 Unless otherwise provided by the provisions of the state  
6 building code, the local inspector shall enforce the state build-  
7 ing code as to any building or structure within the city or  
8 town from which he is appointed, including any building or  
9 structure owned by any authority established by the legisla-  
10 ture but not owned by the commonwealth, and excepting hos-  
11 pitals, clinics, sanatoria, convalescent or nursing homes, in-  
12 firmaries maintained in a city or town, private infirmaries,  
13 rest homes or charitable homes for the aged licensed by and  
14 under the supervision of the department of public health.  
15 Such state building code shall be the code for all buildings  
16 and structures within such city or town. In the event of a  
17 conflict between said code and a statute, ordinance or by-law  
18 regulating any historic district, regional historic district or  
19 architecturally controlled district, provisions of any such stat-  
20 ute, ordinance or by-law regulating exterior architectural fea-  
21 tures within such district shall prevail. The inspector shall  
22 enforce the state building code as to any building or structure  
23 within any city or town that is owned by the commonwealth  
24 or any departments, commissions, agencies or authorities of  
25 the commonwealth, and as to any hospitals, clinics, sanatoria,

26 convalescent or nursing homes, infirmaries maintained in a  
27 city or town, private infirmaries, rest homes or charitable  
28 homes for the aged, licensed by and under the supervision of  
29 the department of public health. The inspector shall have all  
30 the powers of a local inspector under this chapter and under  
31 the state building code as to such buildings or structures that  
32 are owned by the commonwealth or any of its departments,  
33 agencies, commissions or authorities, and as to such facilities  
34 licensed by and under the supervision of the department of  
35 public health.