



## 2003 SENATE BILL 168

May 14, 2003 – Introduced by Senators BROWN, STEPP, ROESSLER, DARLING, COWLES, KANAVAS and PLALE, cosponsored by Representatives J. WOOD, HEBL, M. LEHMAN, WIECKERT, HUBER, J. LEHMAN, CULLEN, TOWNS, BERCEAU, KRAWCZYK, LOEFFELHOLZ, JESKEWITZ, ALBERS, SHILLING, LADWIG, GUNDERSON, McCORMICK, POPE-ROBERTS, VAN ROY, GRONEMUS, SUDER, OTT, MUSSER, BIES, VRAKAS and PETROWSKI. Referred to Committee on Economic Development, Job Creation and Housing.

1     **AN ACT to repeal** 101.651 (2m), 101.651 (3), 101.651 (3m) (a) and 101.651 (6); **to**  
2             **renumber** 101.651 (3m) (b); and **to amend** 101.63 (3) and 101.651 (title) of the  
3             statutes; **relating to:** enforcement of the one- and two-family dwelling code  
4             in certain cities, villages, and towns.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, with certain limited exceptions, any city, village, town, or county (municipality) may provide for the enforcement of the one- and two-family dwelling code throughout the municipality. With certain exceptions, current law requires any municipality that does not provide for this enforcement to contract with the Department of Commerce (department) for necessary building inspection services under the one- and two-family dwelling code. However, a city, village, or town with a population of 2,500 or less may adopt a resolution generally exempting the city, village, or town from any enforcement of the one- and two-family dwelling code, including inspections by the department.

This bill repeals the authority for a city, village, or town with a population of 2,500 or less to exempt itself from enforcement of the one- and two-family dwelling code. Thus, under this bill, such a city, village, or town is subject to the general requirement to provide for the enforcement of the one- and two-family dwelling code or contract with the department for necessary building inspection services.

