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An Act to Reduce Housing Costs by Not Requiring Fire Sprinkler Systems for Single-family Homes and Duplexes

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §9724, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Installation or use of fire sprinkler systems in certain homes. Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, a municipality may not adopt or enforce any provision of a building code, including the Maine Uniform Building Code, the Maine Uniform Energy Code or the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code, that requires the installation or use of fire sprinkler systems in a single-family dwelling or duplex.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits a municipality from adopting or enforcing a provision of a building code that requires the installation or use of fire sprinkler systems in a single-family dwelling or duplex.