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H.B. No. 3804

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to fire protection sprinkler system requirements for certain residential buildings by municipalities, counties, and emergency services districts.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 250.011(a), Local Government Code, as added by Chapter 315 (H.B. 738), Acts of the 87th Legislature, Regular Session, 2021, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding any other law and except as provided by Subsection (c), a municipality, county, or emergency services district may not enact an ordinance, bylaw, order, building code, or rule that in any manner requires or conditions, directly or indirectly, any regulatory approval on ~~[requiring]~~ the installation of a multipurpose residential fire protection sprinkler system or any other fire protection sprinkler system in a new or existing one- or two-family dwelling.

SECTION 2. The amendment by this Act of Section 250.011, Local Government Code, is intended to clarify rather than change existing law.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.