BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 1376 amends Section 1952.103(c) of the Occupations Code to adjust supervision requirements for code enforcement officers in training, aiming to enhance flexibility for Texas municipalities and employers. Currently, trainees must work under a registered code enforcement officer to enforce codes like zoning or building safety, ensuring oversight but straining small towns or firms without such staff. The bill allows trainees to operate unsupervised if their employer lacks a registered officer, while maintaining supervised training where possible. Targeting rural and understaffed areas, the bill promises faster code enforcement and career entry.

As proposed, S.B. 1376 amends current law relating to the supervision requirements of a code enforcement officer in training.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 1952.103(c), Occupations Code, as follows:

(c) Creates an exception under this subsection. Authorizes a code enforcement officer in training, if the employer of the officer in training does not also employ a registered code enforcement officer, to engage in code enforcement without supervision.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2025.