

103A.10A Plan reviews and inspections.

1. All newly constructed buildings or structures subject to the state building code, including any addition, but excluding any renovation or repair of such a building or structure, owned by the state or an agency of the state, except as provided in subsection 2, shall be subject to a plan review and inspection by the commissioner or an independent building inspector appointed by the commissioner. Any renovation or repair of such a building or structure shall be subject to a plan review, except as provided in subsection 2. A fee shall be assessed for the cost of plan review, and, if applicable, the cost of inspection. The commissioner may inspect an existing building that is undergoing renovation or remodeling to enforce the energy conservation requirements established under this chapter.

2. All newly constructed buildings, including any addition, but excluding any renovation or repair of a building, owned by the state board of regents shall be subject to a plan review and inspection by the commissioner or the commissioner's staff or assistant. A renovation of a building owned by the state board of regents shall be subject to a plan review. The commissioner may inspect an existing building that is undergoing renovation or remodeling to enforce the energy conservation requirements established under this chapter. The commissioner and the state board of regents shall develop a plan to implement this provision.

3. All newly constructed buildings and structures the construction of which is paid for in whole or in part with moneys appropriated by the state but which are not wholly owned by the state are subject to the plan review and inspection requirements as provided in this subsection. If a governmental subdivision has adopted a building code, electrical code, mechanical code, and plumbing code and performs inspections pursuant to such codes, such buildings or structures shall be built to comply with such codes. However, if a governmental subdivision has not adopted a building code, electrical code, mechanical code, and plumbing code, or does not perform inspections pursuant to such codes, such buildings or structures shall be built to comply with the state building code and shall be subject to a plan review and inspection by the commissioner or an independent building inspector appointed by the commissioner. A fee shall be assessed for the cost of plan review and the cost of inspection.

4. The commissioner shall administer this section notwithstanding section 103A.19. The commissioner shall establish by rule proper qualifications for an independent building inspector and for the commissioner's staff or assistant who performs inspections, and fees for plan reviews and inspections.

2006 Acts, ch 1185, §72; 2007 Acts, ch 22, §34; 2008 Acts, ch 1126, §11, 33; 2009 Acts, ch 24, §1