## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

## **Agency overview**

**Commissioner Roslyn Robertson** 

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# Agency operating areas

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DLI's MISSION is to ensure Minnesota's work and living environments are equitable, healthy and safe. DLI's VISION is to be a trusted resource and an impartial regulator for employers, employees, property owners and other stakeholders.

### **DLI operating areas:**

- Workers' Compensation
- Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA)
- Labor Standards
- Apprenticeship
- Construction Codes and Licensing
- PIPELINE Program
- Youth Skills Training
- General Support



Employees: 149 FTEs FY 21 operating budget: \$32.8 M

## **Regulates and inspects:**

- Accessibility
- Boilers
- Electrical
- Elevators
- Energy conservation
- Fire safety
- High-pressure-piping systems
- Heating, ventilation, air conditioning

### Manufactured structures

- Plumbing
- Structural

### By the numbers:

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- More than 140,000 personal and business licenses and registrations
- 132,850 construction permits, 96% online
- 192,669 inspections

## Minnesota State Building Code

### 326B.106 GENERAL POWERS OF COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

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Subdivision 1. Adoption of code. (a) Subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) and sections 326B.101 to 326B.194, the commissioner shall by rule and in consultation with the Construction Codes Advisory Council establish a code of standards for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, and repair of buildings, governing matters of structural materials, design and construction, fire protection, health, sanitation, and safety,



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## **Fire safety**

CCLD regulates fire safety through the adoption and enforcement of the State Building Code. The State Building Code regulates fire safety for:

- Size and height of buildings
- Combustibility of building materials
- Smoke detection and fire alarms
- Safe egress
- Fire protection of building construction
- Where fire sprinklers are required

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## **Manufactured Structures**

Manufactured (mobile) homes:

- Construction regulated by U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).
- Minnesota is HUD's administrative authority.
  - Licenses dealers and installers.
  - Provides in-plant audits and inspections.
  - Verifies compliant onsite installation.

### Industrialized modular buildings

- Construction regulated by State Building Code.
- Process regulated by an interstate compact.
- Any building built in a factory.
- Minnesota provides in-plan audits and inspections.

## Pre-fabricated buildings (houses)

- Houses constructed in schools or vocational and lumber yards.
- CCLD provides onsite inspections.

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### **Consumer awareness campaign**

For workers and the public > Homeowners > Hire only licensed contractors

### HIRE ONLY LICENSED CONTRACTORS



### Don't let an unlicensed contractor ruin a great project.

Do your research before you hire a contractor:

- Do they have a Minnesota state license?
- Have they been involved in lawsuits or criminal charges?
- Decide exactly what you want from your project, including materials.
- Compare bids from more than one contractor.

# Workers' Compensation Division m DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY



## Employees: 107 FTEs FY 21 operating budget: \$12.2 M

Helps employees injured on-the-job to receive proper medical treatment and benefit payments in a timely manner, mediates disputes about injuries and benefits, issues penalties for late benefit payments to injured employees and reviews records to ensure state laws are followed.

- Special Compensation Fund
- Compliance Records and Training
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Office of Ombudsman

### By the numbers:

- 1,076 mediations conducted
- \$32.4 million benefits paid to injured workers in FY 2020
- Voc rehab clients returning to fulltime work had their wages restored to 98% of their pre-injury level

# Work Comp agency authority

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DLI	Commerce
Investigates and penalizes employers for	Reviews rate filings and premium
failure to insure for work comp as	disputes related to work comp
required by law	insurance
Provides insurance verification services	Authority to grant applications for
with assistance from its contractor the	employers to self-insure for work comp
MWCIA	liability
Penalizes insurers and self-insured	Authority to suspend or revoke an
employers for violations of work comp	insurer or third-party administrator
law, such as failure to pay benefits	(TPA)'s license, or an employer's
timely	permission to self-insure
Refers insurers, TPAs, or self-insured	Administers the MN Work Comp
employers to Commerce when there is	Assigned Risk Plan and has primary
evidence of repeat violations of work	oversight for the MWCIA, MIGA, and
comp law	SISF

**DLI and Commerce share oversight of the WCRA** 

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**Thank you!**