

**Subject** Carbon monoxide alarms in hotels and lodging houses

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## Overview

This bill requires carbon monoxide alarms in the sleeping rooms of hotels and lodging houses, with limited exceptions.

Currently, for hotels and lodging houses, the State Fire Code requires the installation and maintenance of:

- 1) a carbon monoxide alarm within every sleeping room, or within ten feet if there is no source of carbon monoxide inside the room; or
- 2) a carbon monoxide detector within 15 to 25 feet of every fixed source of carbon monoxide and linked to a centralized alarm system with continuous onsite monitoring.

## Summary

Section	Description
1	<b>Hotel inspection.</b> Adds the carbon monoxide alarm requirements explicitly to the sections the commissioner of public safety has authority to enforce.
2	<b>Hotel.</b> Adds a definition of “hotel” to the statutes about carbon monoxide alarms.
3	<b>Lodging house.</b> Adds a definition of a “lodging house” to the statutes about carbon monoxide alarms.
4	<b>Generally.</b> Requires that every guest room in a hotel or lodging house have an approved and operational carbon monoxide alarm installed in each room lawfully used for sleeping purposes.

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5	<b>Owner's duties.</b> States that the owner of a hotel or lodging house must provide, install, and keep operational any carbon monoxide alarms required by statute.
6	<b>Exceptions; certain multifamily dwellings and state-operated facilities.</b> Makes a technical correction to current law.
7	<b>Safety warning.</b> Stipulates that the first violation of this section results in only a safety warning and that subsequent violations are petty misdemeanors.



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