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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1744

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 36-8-17.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]:

Chapter 17.5. Pre-Planning Inspections

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "fire department" has the meaning set forth in IC 36-8-17-2.

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "pre-planning inspection" means an inspection of a Class 1 structure (as defined in IC 22-12-1-4) in a place or public way performed by the fire department to determine firefighting strategies necessary to minimize the hazard to firefighters responding to any fire or explosion at the structure, including:

- (1) identifying the structural components, contents, and operations, including:
 - (A) floor plans; and
 - (B) the location of:
 - (i) employees;
 - (ii) fire alarm and suppression systems;
 - (iii) entrances and exits; and

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(iv) utilities; and

(2) identifying and locating hazardous materials.

Sec. 3. A fire department may make a pre-planning inspection of every place and public way within the jurisdiction of the political subdivision that the fire department serves, except the interiors of private dwellings, for the purpose of advising the fire department on issues affecting a fire suppression response.

Sec. 4. (a) A fire department shall be allowed entry and access to every place or public way within the jurisdiction of the political subdivision that the fire department serves, except the interiors of private dwellings, for the purpose of making a pre-planning inspection under this chapter.

(b) A fire department shall notify the occupant or owner of a Class 1 structure seven (7) days in advance of performing a pre-planning inspection. The notification may be oral or in writing.

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