

1 HB223
2 149799-3
3 By Representative Henry
4 RFD: Public Safety and Homeland Security
5 First Read: 07-FEB-13

1 "(1) Is a temporary safe place during storms as
2 stated in Federal Emergency Management Agency Publication 320
3 or 361 or their successors.

4 "(2) Includes plans for the construction of the
5 shelter that are ~~stamped~~ sealed, dated, and signed by a
6 licensed engineer or a registered architect who is licensed or
7 registered in this state and is practicing within the scope of
8 his or her profession except if the plans are for a community
9 storm shelter, the plans shall be sealed, dated, and signed by
10 a licensed engineer and a registered architect.

11 "(3) States in a conspicuous place on the first
12 blueprint page: "This shelter design complies with applicable
13 standards as provided in the current Federal Emergency
14 Management Agency (FEMA) publication and International Code
15 Council (ICC-500) Codes."

16 "(4) Includes shelter occupancy information on the
17 notes page of the shelter blueprints stating: "According to
18 the current FEMA and ICC-500 standards, this shelter will
19 accommodate (X) standing adults (5 SF/Person), (Y) people in
20 wheelchairs (10 SF/Person), and (Z) bedridden people (205
21 SF/Person)."

22 "(b) All resident and nonresident manufacturers of
23 prefabricated storm shelters selling prefabricated storm
24 shelters in this state shall annually deliver to the Alabama
25 Emergency Management Agency a good and sufficient surety bond,
26 executed by the applicant as principal and by a corporate
27 surety company qualified to do business in the state as

1 surety, in the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The
2 bond shall be in a form to be approved by the agency, and
3 shall be conditioned upon the manufacturer's compliance with
4 the requirements for prefabricated storm shelters provided in
5 subsection (a).

6 "§31-9-101.

7 "The Alabama Emergency Management Agency shall have
8 oversight authority on all storm shelters, both community and
9 residential. The Alabama Emergency Management Agency may adopt
10 administrative rules to carry out the intent of this article
11 and to ensure that all prefabricated storm shelters funded in
12 whole or in part by state or federal funds or eligible for
13 reimbursement from the state or federal funds meet appropriate
14 standards and guidelines prior to any payment or reimbursement
15 from state or federal funds. ~~In regards to residential storm
16 shelters with capacity of not more than 16 people, the Alabama
17 Emergency Management Agency shall perform random inspections
18 of the manufacturers of those residential storm shelters and
19 the installation of those residential storm shelters. There
20 shall be no additional cost to the manufacturer or consumer
21 for these random inspections."~~

22 Section 2. This act shall become effective
23 immediately following its passage and approval by the
24 Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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Jeff Woodard
Clerk