

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 2237
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Impact:	See Analysis Below

Research Analysis

HB 2237, as introduced, clarifies the authority of a board of county commissioners to establish fines and penalties for violation of home inspection, property maintenance and building regulations. The measure eliminates the court appearance requirement for such violations, but a person could plead not guilty to the charged violation and request a court hearing. The penalty for violations, currently only consisting of a fine of up to \$500, could also include up to 90 days in jail. Repeated violations on the cited property could increase the fine to \$1000 per violation.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 2237 in its current form, broadens the scope and modifies the procedures for fines and penalties issued by county personnel related to property regulation. Procedural changes in the measure related to court appearance requirements, could result in savings to the District Courts, and additional fines and penalties could result in additional fine revenue; however, neither element is expected to have a material impact on the state budget or state revenues.

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Other Considerations

None.