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H 445. CODE OFFICIALS PROFESSIONALISM. TO ESTABLISH A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR CODE-ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE FUND FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OF CODE-ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS, AND TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE FUND FOR THAT PURPOSE. Adds new GS 143-151.13A, creating a professional development program for code-enforcement officials. Authorizes NC Code Officials Qualification Board to establish professional development requirements as a condition of renewal or reactivation of a code-enforcement official's certificate. Sets maximum number of hours that may be required for various purposes. Authorizes Board to adopt rules regarding the professional development program. Appropriates \$100,000 for 2001-2002 from Dep't of Insurance Fund established in GS 58-6-25 to Dep't of Insurance to develop and implement the program. Appropriation effective July 1, 2001, and contingent upon the implementation of the program. Professional development requirements applicable to certificates issued or renewed on or after Oct. 1, 2001.

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