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H 1278. UNSAFE BUILDINGS/REPAIR OR DEMOLISH. Filed 3/30/07. AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES TO ORDER OWNERS OF UNSAFE BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES TO REPAIR RATHER THAN VACATE AND CLOSE THE BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES TO MEET BUILDING CODE STANDARDS.

Amends GS 160A-428 to provide that when the owner of a building that has been condemned as unsafe fails to take corrective action, the local inspector must provide written notice that includes notice that the inspector, following the hearing, may issue an order to repair (was, repair, close, vacate) or demolish the building. Makes conforming change to GS 160A-429, authorizing an inspector to issue an order requiring the building owner to repair (was, repair, close, vacate) or demolish a building. Applies to cities with a population of 190,000 or more. Intro. by Jeffus. GS 160A