

# STATE OF NEW YORK

10371

## IN SENATE

May 15, 2026

Introduced by Sen. RHOADS -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Labor

AN ACT to amend the labor law, in relation to creating a temporary committee on examining the New York state industrial code; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expiration thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. The labor law is amended by adding a new section 45 to read  
2 as follows:

3 § 45. Joint committee for industrial code oversight. 1. There is here-  
4 by established a joint committee on evaluating the state industrial  
5 code. Such committee shall consist of eleven members one of whom shall  
6 be a representative of the New York State Building and Construction  
7 Trades; a representative from the New York State AFL-CIO; a represen-  
8 tative from the New York City Central Labor Council; a representative  
9 from the Laborers International Union of North America; a representative  
10 from the New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health; a member  
11 appointed by the governor; a member appointed by the temporary president  
12 of the senate; a member appointed by the senate minority leader; a  
13 member appointed by the speaker of the assembly; a member appointed by  
14 the assembly minority leader; and a non-voting chair appointed by the  
15 commissioner. Members of the committee shall serve at the pleasure of  
16 the appointing authority. Members of the committee shall receive no  
17 compensation for their services but shall be allowed their actual and  
18 necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties pursuant  
19 to this section.

20 2. The committee established pursuant to this section shall conduct a  
21 review of part twenty-three of the New York state industrial code as it  
22 pertains to construction, demolition and excavation activities within  
23 the state of New York; review Occupational Safety and Health Adminis-  
24 tration, American National Standards Institute and other nationally-re-  
25 cognized construction and safety standards to determine if any changes  
26 recommended to such code should occur.

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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1 3. The committee shall make a report of the findings of its review,  
2 including any recommendations for changes that should be made to the  
3 state industrial code, including any recommendations for legislative  
4 action as it may deem necessary and appropriate. Such report shall be  
5 delivered to the governor, the commissioner, the temporary president of  
6 the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the senate minority leader and  
7 the assembly minority leader on or before December first, two thousand  
8 twenty-seven.

9 § 2. This act shall take effect immediately, provided that section one  
10 of this act shall expire and be deemed repealed 60 days after trans-  
11 mission of the report of the findings and recommendations of the commit-  
12 tee to the governor, the commissioner of the department of labor, the  
13 temporary president of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the  
14 senate minority leader and the assembly minority leader, as provided in  
15 subdivision 3 of section one of this act. Provided, however, that the  
16 commissioner of labor shall notify the legislative bill drafting commis-  
17 sion upon the transmission of the report of the findings of the commit-  
18 tee, as provided in subdivision 3 of section one of this act, in order  
19 that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effective data  
20 base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York in furth-  
21 erance of effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the legislative  
22 law and section 70-b of the public officers law.