

## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB3730

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Vertical Construction Masonry Composition Act. Provides that vertical commercial construction must contain at least 15% masonry components unless the use of the masonry components would cause the building to be structurally deficient.

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1 AN ACT concerning construction.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,

## represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
- 5 Vertical Construction Masonry Composition Act.
- 6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- 7 "Commercial building" means any building, other than a
- 8 residential building for 4 or fewer families, that is
- 9 constructed for the purpose of generating revenue for the
- 10 owner.

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- "Masonry construction" means construction of commercial
- 12 buildings by utilizing concrete, mortar, brick, stone, and
- 13 similar materials.
- "Vertical commercial construction" means construction of a
- 15 commercial building rising 15 or more feet above the surface of
- 16 the ground.
- 17 Section 10. Vertical construction; masonry component
- 18 requirement.
- 19 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), all vertical
- 20 commercial construction must include masonry construction for
- at least 15% of the building's components.
- 22 (b) The masonry component requirement established under

subsection (a) may be reduced to a lesser percentage upon certification by an architect licensed under the Illinois Architecture Practice Act of 1989 or a structural engineer licensed under the Structural Engineering Practice Act of 1989 that the statutorily required percentage of masonry components would be structurally deficient in relation to the size of the building. A reduction under this subsection may only reduce the masonry component of the building to the amount necessary to maintain the structural integrity of the building.