

## Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Vermont	Vermont Access Board Meeting	2/26/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Minnesota	Minnesota Residential Energy Code TAG Meeting	2/26/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
South Carolina	South Carolina State Building Codes Council Meeting	2/27/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Minnesota	Minnesota Construction Codes Advisory Council Meeting	2/29/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	2/29/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Texas	Texas Commission on Fire Protection Meeting	2/29/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	3/1/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
New Hampshire	New Hampshire State Building Code Review Board Meeting	3/1/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	3/7/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington MVE Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council BFP Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council MVE Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	3/12/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	3/13/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board Meeting	3/13/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Meeting	3/15/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	3/15/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
North Carolina	North Carolina Building Code Council Meeting	3/18/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Oregon	Oregon Energy Advisory Work Group Meeting	3/18/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Fire Control Meeting	3/20/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Vermont	Vermont Access Board Meeting	3/25/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/4/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>

West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/5/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	4/10/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	4/16/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	4/16/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	4/17/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
South Dakota	South Dakota Plumbing Commission Meeting	4/18/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	4/18/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	4/19/2024	<a href="#">Info</a>
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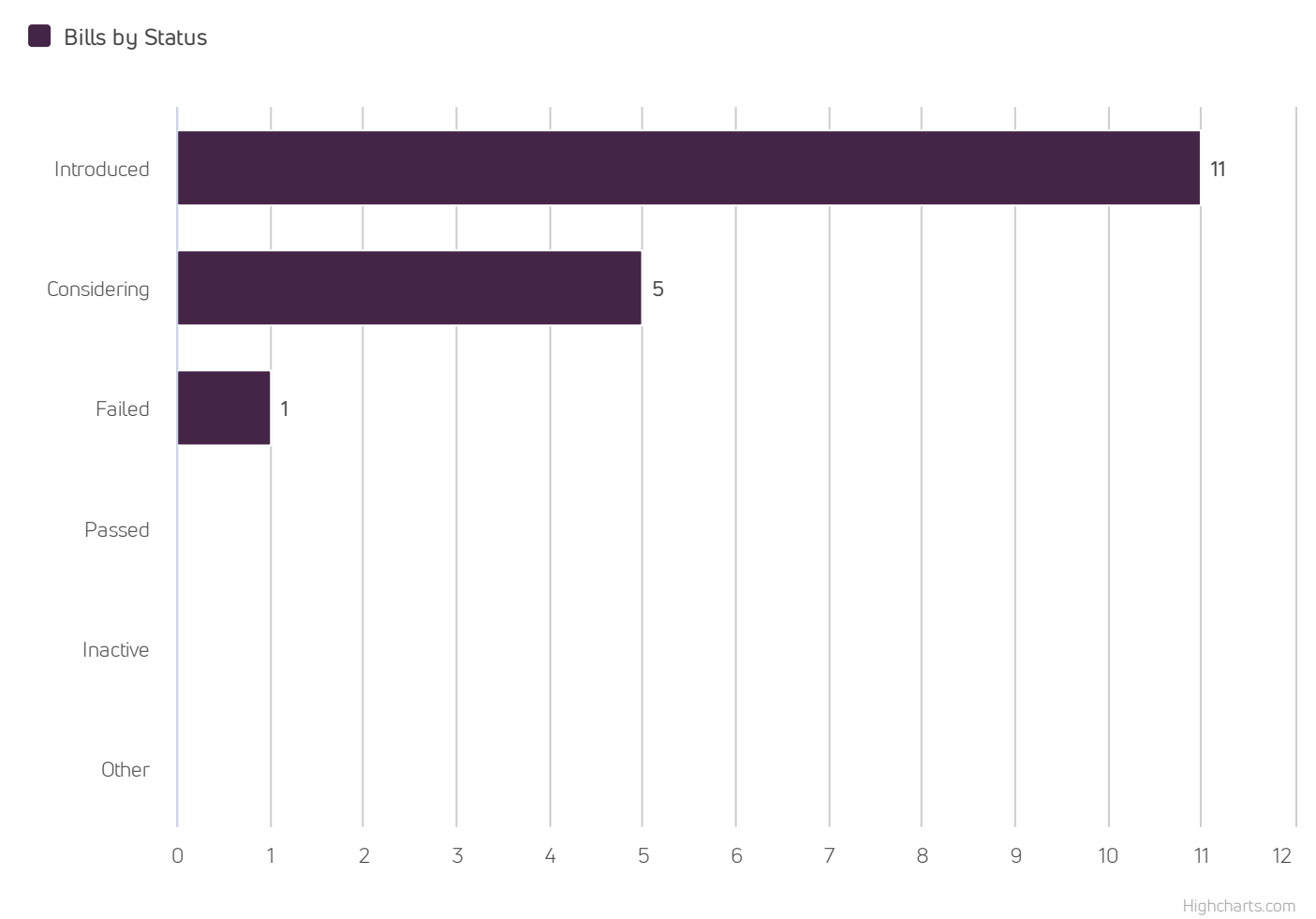
## Code Alerts

### Building

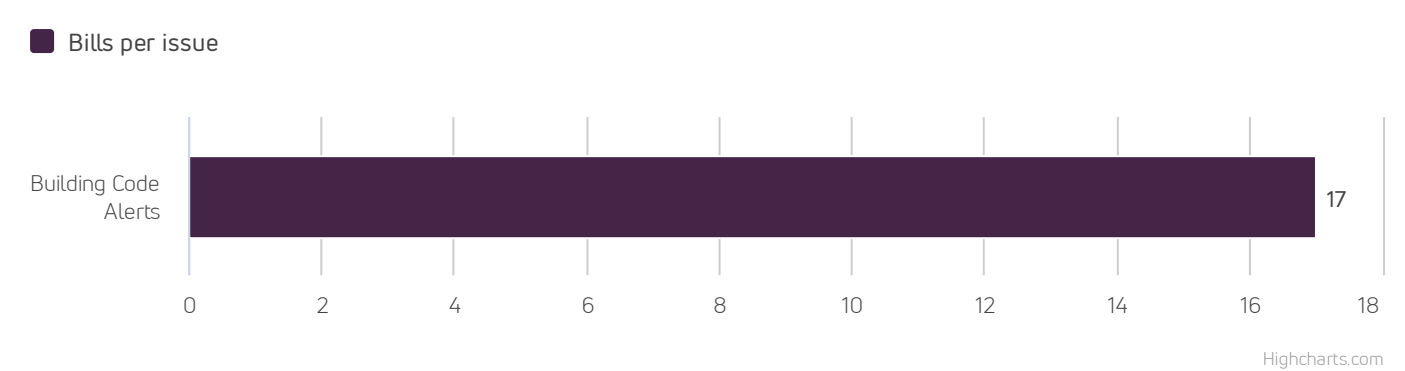
State	Date	Title
South Carolina	2/27/2024	<a href="#">South Carolina State Building Codes Council to Gather on 2/27/2024: Emergency Hearing to Address Modifications to 2021 Building and Fire Codes for EV Charging Stations</a>
The South Carolina State Building Codes Council will convene on 2/27/2024. Items of note on the agenda include an Emergency Building Code Modification Hearing which would consider modifying the 2021 SC Building and 2021 SC Fire Code related to EV Charging Stations.		

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Bills by Status

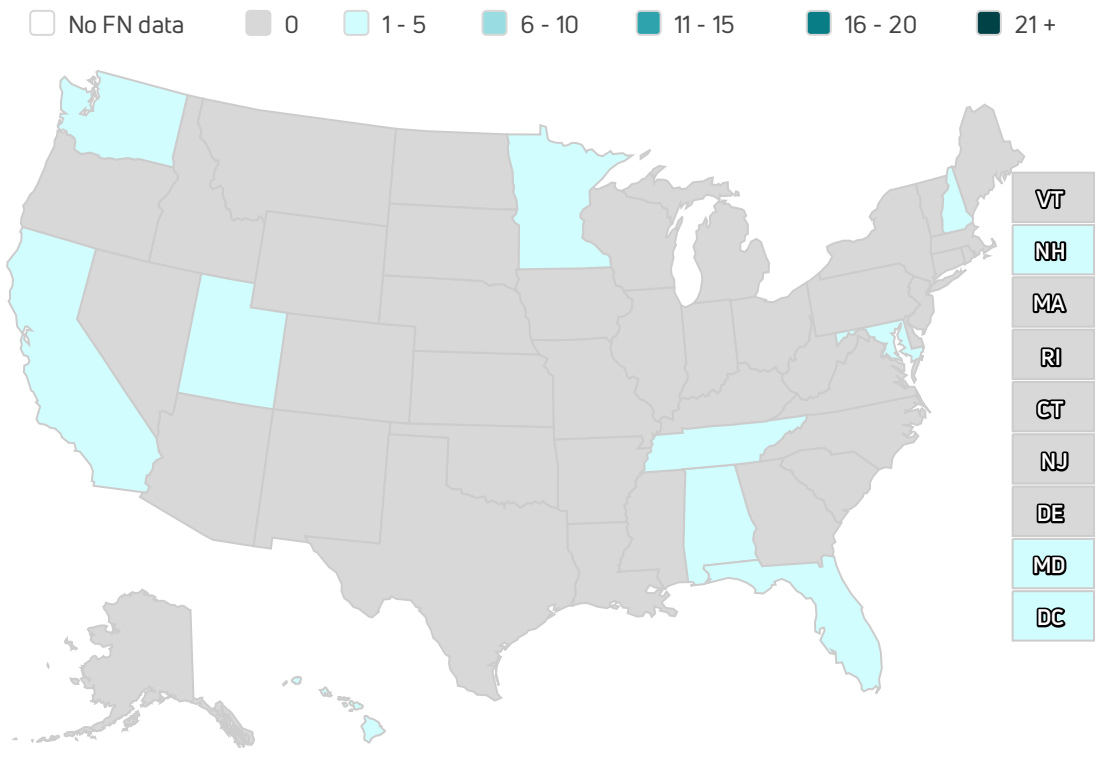


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Building Code Alerts Bills

17 Bills

## UT HB 518

**Title:** State Construction Code Modifications

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 09, 2024

**Last Action Date:** House/ Rules to 3rd Reading Calendar. February 26, 2024

**Summary:** This bill outlines several amendments to the International Building Code (IBC) and the International Residential Code (IRC). In the IBC, it introduces requirements for blended assisted living facilities regarding egress locking systems and resident containment. It also adds a new section specifying compliance standards for buildings under the National Green Building Standard. Amendments to the IRC include changes related to building permits documentation, energy efficiency standards, and conversion factors for heat pumps and air conditioners. These changes aim to enhance safety, energy efficiency, and regulatory clarity in building construction and maintenance.

**Location:** US-UT

## MD SB 258

**Title:** Department of General Services - State Buildings and Facilities - Energy Conservation and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reductions

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** September 18, 2023

**Last Action Date:** Favorable Report by Education, Energy, and the Environment. February 26, 2024

**Summary:** This bill encompasses various measures to advance energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in state-owned buildings. It mandates the update of the High-Performance Green Building Program to align with the state's net-zero emissions goal by 2045 and requires the identification of facilities suitable for energy savings performance contracts. An annual energy and emissions audit of state-owned buildings is mandated, with results provided to relevant state agencies for implementation. A comprehensive database will record energy and emissions reductions, and state agencies must grant access to facility data and utility bills. Government units are obligated to implement energy-saving projects aligned with their core missions, and requests for proposals for state leasing must include provisions supporting energy goals. The Department is tasked with reporting annually on the state's progress toward a 20% reduction in energy consumption in state buildings each fiscal year.

**Location:** US-MD

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## WA SB 6291

**Title:** Streamlining the state building code council operating procedures by establishing criteria for statewide amendments to the state building code.

**Current Status:** Considering

**Introduction Date:** January 22, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Rules Committee relieved of further consideration. Placed on second reading.. February 24, 2024

**Summary:** This bill proposes amendments to streamline the operating procedures of the State Building Code Council, primarily by establishing criteria for statewide amendments to the state building code. The bill outlines a three-year state-building code adoption cycle aligned with the adoption cycle of model codes. Substantive changes to the state building code are restricted to this three-year cycle, with provisions for exceptional cases. The council is mandated to review and take action on the most recent editions of model codes within 30 months of their publication. Additionally, the bill introduces the possibility of an interim code adoption cycle to address errors, omissions, or outdated regulations. Emergency statewide amendments to the building code can be considered at any time, and off-cycle amendments can be initiated when directed by the legislature. In terms of council membership, the bill outlines a transparent process for filling open positions, involving posting on the council website, trade association nominations, and gubernatorial appointments.

**Location:** US-WA

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## UT SB 168

**Title:** Affordable Building Amendments

**Current Status:** Considering

**Introduction Date:** January 31, 2024

**Last Action Date:** House/ return to Rules due to fiscal impact : House Rules Committee. February 23, 2024

**Summary:** This bill adds ICC/Modular Building Institute Standards 1200 and 1205, except as modified by the title to the definition of Construction Code. This bill sets out regulations for modular unit construction, installation, and permit issuance in alignment with state construction codes. The bill provides guidelines for who could review the construction documents, issue a permit for the construction of a modular building unit, inspect onsite construction, verify compliance with state codes and requirements, and discover any violations or potential hazards. The bill also outlines the role of the Division of Facilities Construction and Management in maintaining up-to-date information relevant to modular building unit installation, conducting inspections, imposing additional oversight if deficiencies are discovered, and creating rules for a continuing education requirement for modular building unit construction and installation contractors. The bill further emphasizes the need for third-party inspection agencies to be licensed, approved, and insured, and to perform duties in accordance with established standards. A modular manufacturer is required to contract third-party agencies or inspectors to perform offsite construction document review and inspection.

**Location:** US-UT

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## WA HB 2071

**Title:** Concerning residential housing regulations.

**Current Status:** Considering

**Introduction Date:** January 02, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Placed on second reading by Rules Committee.. February 23, 2024

**Summary:** This bill proposes several new sections to the state's residential housing regulations. It includes provisions for multiplex housing, stating that the state building code council must convene a technical advisory group to recommend additions or amendments to rules and codes that would apply the international residential code to multiplex housing and exempt multiplex housing from the international building code. Additionally, it provides provisions for retrofits of existing buildings and requirements for new residential construction meeting passive house requirements.

**Location:** US-WA

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## MN HF 3351

**Title:** State Building Code; expedited rulemaking authorized to modify State Building Code to allow single exit stairway to serve multifamily residential structures.

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 12, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Author added Kozlowski. February 22, 2024

**Summary:** This bill would authorize an expedited rulemaking to allow a single exit stairway to serve nontransient multifamily residential structures that are not more than 75 feet above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access. These modifications must include consideration for adequate and available water supply for fire sprinkler systems, the presence and response time of a professional fire department, and any other provisions necessary to ensure public health, safety, and general welfare.

**Location:** US-MN

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## HI HB 2089

**Title:** Relating To The State Building Code.

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** January 22, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Bill scheduled to be heard by CPC on Tuesday, 02-27-24 2:00PM in House conference room 329 VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.. February 22, 2024

**Summary:** This bill requires that the adoption, amendment, or update of the International Building Code and International Residential Code by the State Building Code Council be within two years of every other official publication date of the applicable code or standard. Provides that if a county does not amend the Hawaii State Building Codes within the required two-year time frame, the Hawaii State Building Codes will become applicable as the interim county building code, until superseded by the adoption of an amended version of the Hawaii State Building Codes or standards by the county.

**Location:** US-HI

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## CA SB 1152

**Title:** State Fire Marshal: fire safety: regulations: lithium-ion batteries.

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 14, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Com. on G.O.. February 21, 2024

**Summary:** This bill focuses on fire safety regulations for lithium-ion batteries in California. The bill requires the State Fire Marshal to propose updates to the fire standards for lead-acid and nickel-cadmium battery systems to also include identical requirements for lithium-ion batteries. These updates must be proposed before the next triennial edition of the California Building Standards Code adopted after January 1, 2025. The Legislature intends that no additional requirements, beyond those described in the bill, are included in the updated battery requirement regulations.

**Location:** US-CA

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## CA SB 1095

**Title:** Cozy Homes Cleanup Act: building standards: gas-fuel-burning appliances.



**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 12, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Coms. on HOUSING and JUD.. February 21, 2024

**Summary:** This bill aims to update existing building standards for gas-fueled appliances in manufactured homes and mobile homes. The bill specifies that the definitions of "manufactured home" and "mobile home" include the plumbing, heating, air-conditioning, and electrical systems contained outside the structure. It extends provisions that allow the replacement of water heaters and comfort heating appliances with fuel-gas-burning appliances to also apply to electric water heaters and electric appliances. The bill requires replacement electric water heaters and appliances to be listed for residential use and properly installed. The Department of Housing and Community Development is required to promulgate rules and regulations, including standards for electric water heater seismic bracing, anchoring, or strapping. The bill also addresses the use of original construction materials and methods, the installation of plumbing, heating, or air-conditioning systems outside of the home, and the replacement of fuel-gas-burning appliances with electric appliances. It ensures that provisions of the bill are declaratory of existing law.

**Location:** US-CA

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## TN HB 2787

**Title:** Codes - As introduced, authorizes a local government to amend adopted building codes to include three-family dwellings and four-family dwellings within the scope of the residential code. - Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 120.

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** January 31, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Placed on s/c cal Property & Planning Subcommittee for 2/28/2024. February 21, 2024

**Summary:** This bill authorizes a local government to amend adopted building codes to include three-family dwellings and four-family dwellings within the scope of the residential code by modifying, transitioning, and establishing minimum prescriptive requirements to address the design and construction of those dwellings and make conforming changes to adopted building codes.

**Location:** US-TN

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## NH SB 599

**Title:** relative to the state fire code.

**Current Status:** Considering

**Introduction Date:** February 02, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Ought to Pass: MA, VV; OT3rdg; 02/21/2024; SJ 5. February 21, 2024

**Summary:** The "New Hampshire Fire Code" bill adopts the references of the 2021 editions of both the Life Safety Code, NFPA 101, and the Uniform Fire Code, NFPA 1, as published by the National Fire Protection Association. This adoption is endorsed by the state's fire control board and ratified by the general court under RSA 153:5. Any other national or model codes, or standards cited within these

given codes will become part of the state fire code unless amendments are made accordingly under RSA 153:5.

**Location:** US-NH

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## FL HB 267

**Title:** Building Regulations

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** October 24, 2023

**Last Action Date:** Added to Second Reading Calendar. February 21, 2024

**Summary:** This bill would require Florida governing bodies with 30,000+ residents to create an expedited process for issuing building permits for residential subdivisions before the final plat's recording by August 15, 2024. It involves a two-step application process, the use of private providers, and outlines conditions for issuing permits before final plat approval while requiring applicant obligations and indemnification. The bill also establishes vested rights for those relying on approved preliminary plats and necessitates notification to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation once the expedited program is created.

**Location:** US-FL

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## AL HB 198

**Title:** Building codes; Alabama Home Builders Licensure Board; Alabama Residential Building Code, authorized to be established

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 20, 2024

**Last Action Date:** County and Municipal Government - Pending Committee Action In House Of Origin. February 20, 2024

**Summary:** This bill would create the Alabama Residential Building Code Advisory Council to recommend an Alabama Residential Building Code, to be based upon the International Residential Code and the residential chapters of the International Energy Conservation Code, to be adopted by the Home Builders Licensure Board. This bill would require counties and municipalities that enforce residential building laws or codes, when adopting new codes or amending existing codes, to adopt or amend the codes in accordance with the minimum standards set by the Alabama Residential Building Code.

**Location:** US-AL

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## DC B 25-0697

**Title:** Green Building Requirements Amendment Act of 2024

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** February 14, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Committee on Facilities and Family Services, and Committee on Transportation and the Environment. February 20, 2024

**Summary:** The "Green Building Requirements Amendment Act of 2024" would amend the Green Building Act of 2006 in the District of Columbia. The amendment aims to revoke the requirement for certain residential projects to maintain net-zero energy compliance. The proposed legislation argues that applying net-zero energy requirements to affordable housing developments that receive financing or land dispositions from the District will require significant redesign and additional funding. It suggests that imposing this requirement prematurely would create financial gaps that the District's resources would need to fill. The legislation acknowledges that comprehensive net-zero regulations have not been finalized and integrated with other elements of the construction codes. It argues that determining net-zero compliance at this stage would be complex and costly. It suggests that updating the construction codes, including the integration of an appropriate net-zero standard, should be completed by 2026, at which point the net-zero requirements will apply to these projects.

**Location:** US-DC

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## WA HB 2465

**Title:** Streamlining the state building code council operating procedures by establishing criteria for statewide amendments to the state building code.

**Current Status:** Failed

**Introduction Date:** January 23, 2024

**Last Action Date:** House Rules "X" file.. February 20, 2024

**Summary:** This bill proposes amendments to streamline the operating procedures of the State Building Code Council in Washington. It adopts various international codes related to building, residential, mechanical, fire, and accessibility standards. The bill establishes a three-year state-building code adoption cycle and outlines procedures for adopting, amending, or repealing model codes. It allows for an interim code adoption cycle to address errors or omissions and permits emergency statewide amendments. The council is required to seek input from first responders and may issue opinions upon request. The bill also addresses the term limits and appointment procedures for council members.

**Location:** US-WA

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## NH SB 437

**Title:** relative to local authority to amend the state building code.

**Current Status:** Considering

**Introduction Date:** December 12, 2023

**Last Action Date:** Ought to Pass with Amendment 2024-0712s, MA, VV; OT3rdg; 02/21/2024; SJ 5. February 20, 2024

**Summary:** This bill relates to local authority to amend the state building code in New Hampshire. The bill requires that all local ordinances amending the state building code comply with the procedures in law for review and approval of additional local regulations to the state building code established

in RSA 155-A. The bill specifies that additional local provisions adopted prior to July 1, 2024, must be submitted for review to the state building code review board and re-adopted through the local process before being enforced. The bill also clarifies that buildings, building components, and structures must comply with all applicable state or local building and fire code requirements, land use restrictions, and historic district laws or ordinances. The effective date of this act is July 1, 2024.

**Location:** US-NH

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## NH HB 1065

**Title:** relative to fire sprinkler requirements in residential buildings.

**Current Status:** Introduced

**Introduction Date:** November 27, 2023

**Last Action Date:** Executive Session: 03/08/2024 01:00 pm LOB 302-304. February 20, 2024

**Summary:** This bill amends State Fire Code and Rules providing that fire suppression or sprinkler systems are not required in existing residential buildings with no more than 4 dwelling units if the building is in compliance with the state fire code including, but not limited to fire barriers, dedicated ingress and egress or secondary means of escape with emergency rescue openings and monitored fire alarm systems.

**Location:** US-NH