

Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Louisiana	Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council Meeting	3/5/2024	Info
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	3/5/2024	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Meeting	3/6/2024	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	3/7/2024	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of Fire Prevention Regulations Meeting	3/7/2024	Info
Washington	Washington MVE Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council BFP Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council MVE Committee Meeting	3/8/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Binding Interpretation Meeting	3/8/2024	Info
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	3/12/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Hurricane Advisory Committee Meeting	3/12/2024	Info
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	3/13/2024	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board Meeting	3/13/2024	Info
Georgia	Georgia International Residential Code Task Force Meeting	3/13/2024	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Meeting	3/15/2024	Info
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	3/15/2024	Info
Virginia	Virginia State Building Code Technical Review Board Meeting	3/15/2024	Info

North Carolina	North Carolina Building Code Council Meeting	3/18/2024	Info
Oregon	Oregon Energy Advisory Work Group Meeting	3/18/2024	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Fire Control Meeting	3/20/2024	Info
North Dakota	North Dakota State Electrical Board Meeting	3/20/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Existing Building Inspection Workgroup	3/20/2024	Info
DC	DC Construction Codes Coordinating Board Regular Meeting	3/21/2024	Info
Vermont	Vermont Access Board Meeting	3/25/2024	Info
Georgia	Georgia International Building Code Task Force Meeting	3/27/2024	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/4/2024	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/5/2024	Info
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	4/10/2024	Info
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	4/16/2024	Info
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	4/16/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	4/17/2024	Info
South Dakota	South Dakota Plumbing Commission Meeting	4/18/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	4/18/2024	Info
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	4/19/2024	Info

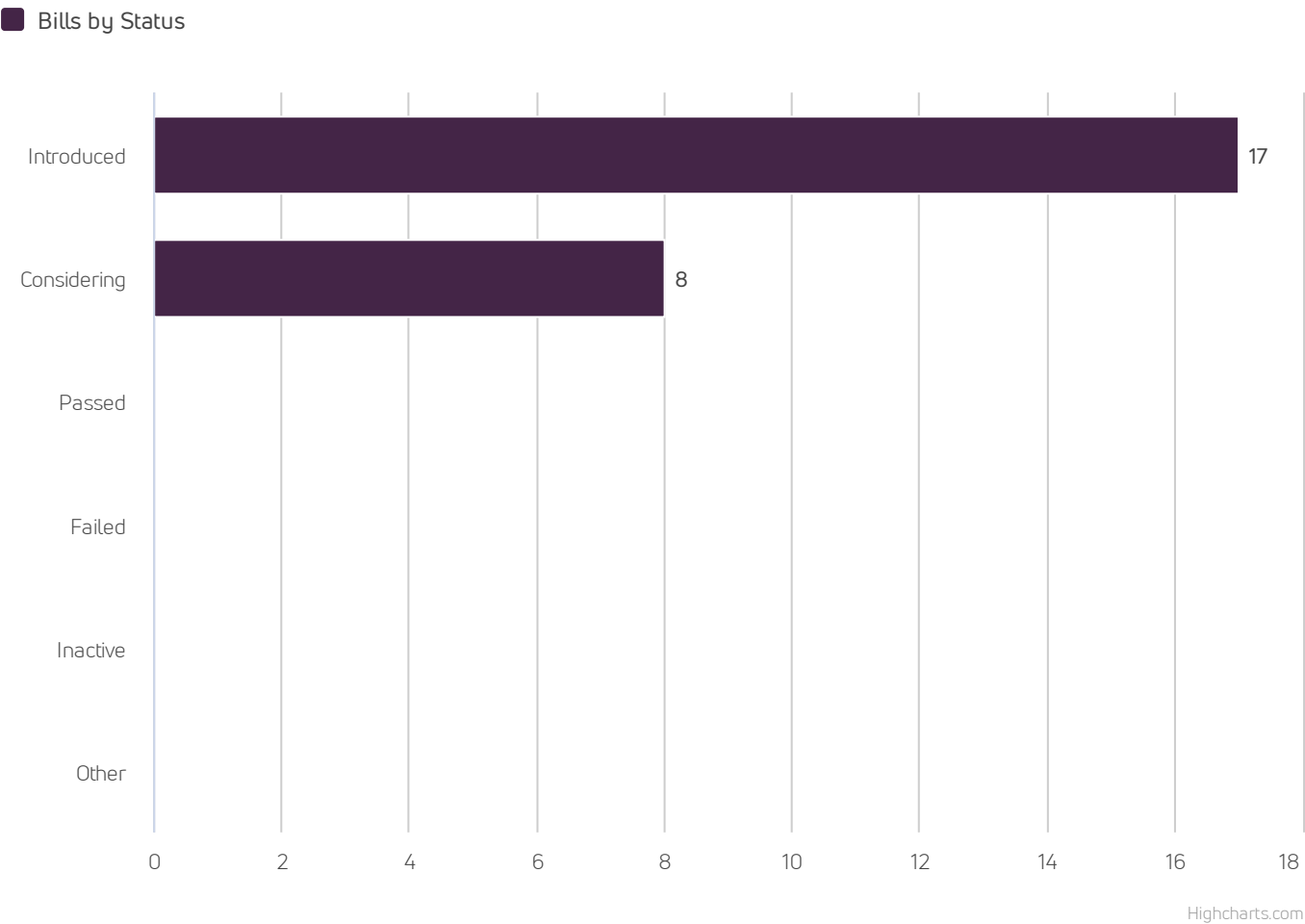
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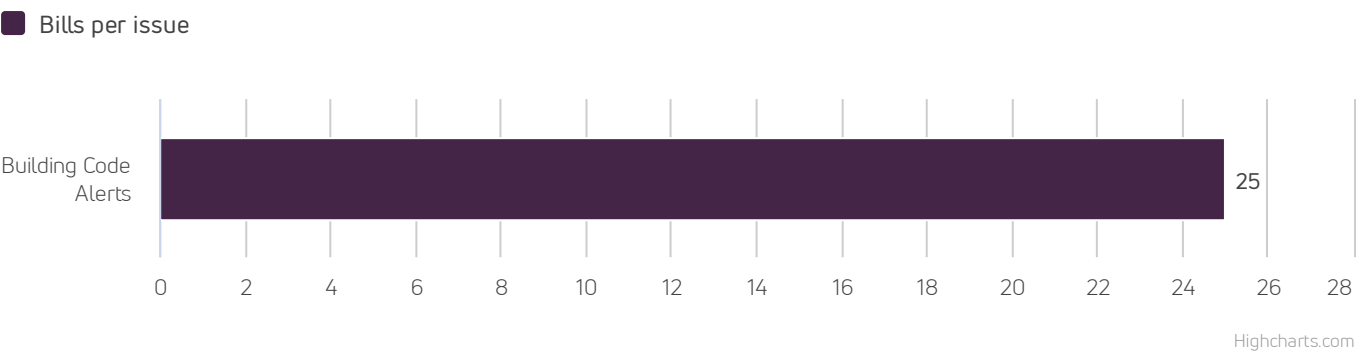
State	Date	Title
Louisiana	3/5/2024	Louisiana Uniform Construction Code Council Fortified Task Force Meeting
The Louisiana Uniform Construction Code Council Fortified Task Force will convene on March 5th to review and discuss the IBHS program for fortified construction methods.		

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Bills by Status



Number of Bills Per Issue



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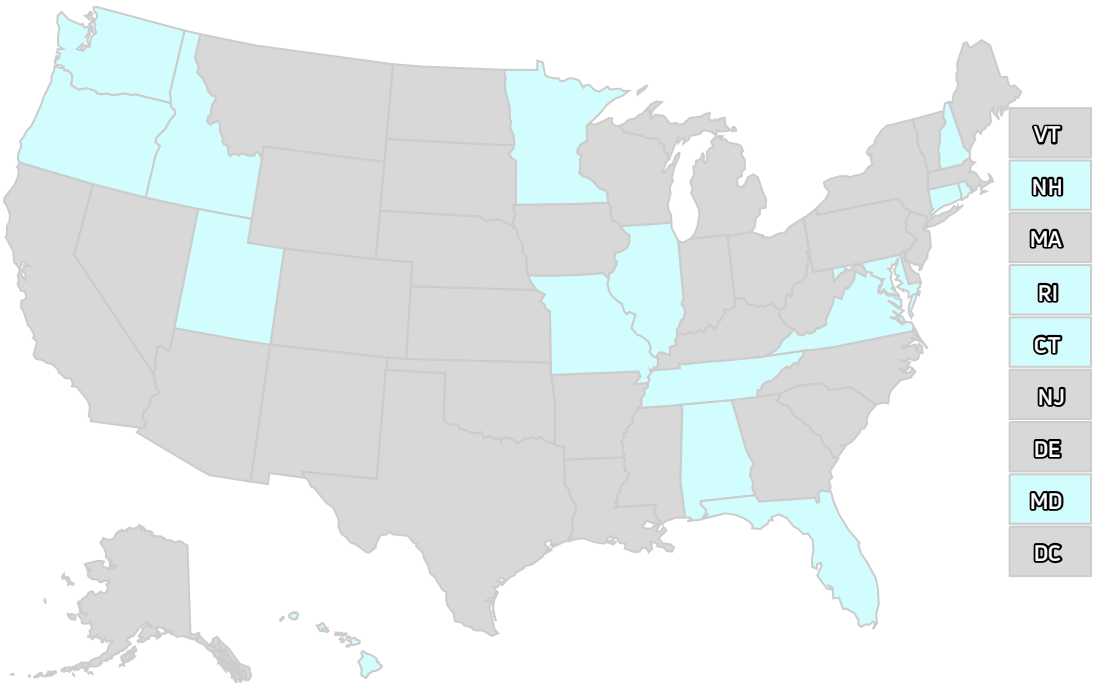


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NH SB 599

Title: relative to the state fire code.
Current Status: Considering
Introduction Date: February 02, 2024
Last Action Date: Introduced 02/29/2024 and referred to Executive Departments and Administration.
March 02, 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

CT SB 343

Title: AN ACT MAKING VARIOUS CHANGES RELATED TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE AND FIRE SAFETY CODE, FISCAL NOTES FOR PROPOSED REGULATIONS, BARRIERS FOR SWIMMING POOLS, BATTERY-CHARGED SECURITY FENCES AND PARKING OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 29, 2024

Last Action Date: Public Hearing 03/07. March 01, 2024

Summary: This bill, amongst other provisions, prohibits parking electric vehicles, as defined in section 16-19eee of the general statutes, in residential or commercial parking garages.

Location: US-CT

UT HB 518

Title: State Construction Code Modifications

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: February 09, 2024

Last Action Date: Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared. March 01, 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

RI HB 7377

Title: An Act Relating To State Affairs And Government -- State Building Code -- Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act (Establishes The Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act As A New Article In The State Building Code.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 31, 2024

Last Action Date: Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/07/2024). March 01, 2024

Summary: This act would establish a new article in the state building code that would provide that certain new housing construction contain at least one floor that meets the requirements for a Type C (Visitable) Unit of the American National Standards Institute (commonly known as "ANSI") This act would take effect upon passage.

Location: US-RI

HI HB 2089

Title: Relating To The State Building Code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 22, 2024

Last Action Date: Forty-eight (48) hours notice Tuesday, 03-05-24.. March 01, 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

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: Third reading, passed; yeas, 95; nays, 0; absent, 0; excused, 3.. March 01, 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

MD SB 258

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

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: September 18, 2023

Last Action Date: Referred Environment and Transportation. March 01, 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

FL HB 267

Title: Building Regulations

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: October 24, 2023

Last Action Date: Added to Third Reading Calendar. March 01, 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

RI HB 7782

Title: An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- The Rhode Island Clean Heat Standard Act (Created The Rhode Island Clean Heat Standards Act To Implement A System Of Tradeable Clean Heat Credits Earned From The Delivery Of Clean Heat Measures That Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 29, 2024

Last Action Date: Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources. February 29, 2024

Summary: This bill aims to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the Rhode Island thermal sector by retiring clean heat credits. It emphasizes social equity by ensuring that low-income and moderate-income households benefit from clean heat measures. Clean heat credits represent reductions in greenhouse gas emissions resulting from clean heat measures, such as weatherization and the use of specific technologies. It establishes a system for tradeable clean heat credits and requires obligated parties, such as natural gas utilities, to retire a specified number of credits annually. It also mandates that a substantial portion of clean heat credits come from measures delivered to low-income and moderate-income customers. The bill further outlines the process for earning, tracking, and using clean heat credits, ensuring compliance with emission reduction goals.

Location: US-RI

MO HB 2870

Title: MISSOURI BUILDING CODES LAW

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 28, 2024

Last Action Date: Read Second Time (H). February 29, 2024

Summary: This bill seeks to introduce the "Missouri Building Codes Act", calling for new state facilities to adhere to these codes and requiring state agencies that demand building inspections to comply with these codes' standards. This Act encompasses all structures including agricultural buildings but excepts such buildings from the requirements of the Act. The Act establishes the Missouri Building Codes Commission to oversee the implementation and maintenance of these codes, complete with licensing regulations and an inspection permit fee. There are provisions for authorities to adopt more stringent codes, with a regulated process for proposing amendments and handling conflicts arising from code enforcement. The bill addresses the transfer of responsibility for uncorrected violations after a change in property ownership or business operation, sets terms for

residential re-occupancy inspections, and details the requirements and creation of a residential re-occupancy inspection checklist. Lastly, it provides for the creation of the "Missouri Building Codes Fund" and authorizes the commission to solicit and receive gifts, donations, and grants.

Location: US-MO

UT SB 168

Title: Affordable Building Amendments

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 31, 2024

Last Action Date: Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared. February 29, 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

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: Introduced 02/29/2024 and referred to Executive Departments and Administration HJ 6. February 29, 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

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 - Read Second Time In House of Origin. February 28, 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

IL SB 3758

Title: Energy-Insulation Req In Homes

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 09, 2024

Last Action Date: Assigned to Energy and Public Utilities. February 28, 2024

Summary: This amendment to the Energy Efficient Building Act in Illinois mandates the adoption of provisions in the Illinois Energy Conservation Code, specifying insulation requirements for unvented attics and enclosed rafter assemblies, impacting both commercial and residential construction in the state. The effective date of the amendment is not specified in the text.

Location: US-IL

IL HB 5244

Title: Energy Efficient Building Act

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 08, 2024

Last Action Date: Assigned to Energy & Environment Committee. February 28, 2024

Summary: The proposed bill seeks to modify the Energy Efficient Building Act. It mandates the Board to adopt rules compelling all buildings to be designed and constructed to deliver natural gas service and electric power. It prohibits local government units from enforcing any rules, ordinances, codes, resolutions, or policies, or from taking any other action, that restricts or forbids the type of fuel source or source of energy production that a natural gas utility can use, provide, convert, or supply. Furthermore, the bill imposes limitations on home rule powers.

Location: US-IL

MD SB 1023

Title: Maryland Building Performance Standards – Fossil Fuel Use, Energy Conservation, and Electric– and Solar–Ready Standards (Better Buildings Act of 2024)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 02, 2024

Last Action Date: Hearing 3/04 at 1:00 p.m.. February 28, 2024

Summary: This bill defines terms related to Electric Vehicle charging spaces and outlines measures for new building developments to be energy-efficient and environmentally friendly. It mandates that from October 1, 2025, all new buildings should meet all heating demands without the use of fossil fuels, and should be ready for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations and solar panels. It also creates conditions for waivers to be granted to these requirements, particularly for newly built or significantly improved buildings designated for certain specific uses, such as hospitals and commercial food establishments. The bill further requires all residential buildings less than four stories above the grade plane to achieve net-zero energy balance by October 1, 2035. A Utility-Scale Solar Design and Siting Advisory Commission will be established to offer recommendations on improving solar energy generation. The law, applicable to all counties, also prohibits counties from restricting the use of fossil fuels in buildings and adopting energy conservation and solar energy requirements that are more stringent than those established by the Department under this Act.

Location: US-MD

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 3/6/2024. February 28, 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

MD SB 695

Title: Building Code - Construction and Significant Renovation of Housing Units - Electric Vehicle Parking Spaces

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 29, 2024

Last Action Date: Hearing 3/04 at 1:00 p.m.. February 28, 2024

Summary: This bill requires the construction of new multifamily residential buildings with separate garages, carports, or driveways for each residential unit to include certain parking spaces for electric vehicle charging. It also requires certain significant renovations of housing units with separate garages, carports, or driveways for each residential unit to include certain parking spaces for electric vehicle recharging; etc.

Location: US-MD

VA HB 151

Title: Energy, Department of; building standards for certain local buildings.

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 02, 2024

Last Action Date: Senate: Passed Senate (20-Y 19-N). February 28, 2024

Summary: This bill requires any locality that is planning to construct a new building larger than 5,000 gross square feet or renovate a building where the renovation costs exceed 50% of the building's value to adhere to certain standards. Firstly, the building must be designed, constructed, verified, and operated in accordance with a high performance building certification program. Additionally, the building must have sufficient zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) charging and fueling infrastructure. The locality must also implement features that allow for the measurement of the building's energy consumption and the calculation of associated carbon emissions, including metering of all electricity, gas, water, and other utilities. The bill also states that for buildings that are smaller than 20,000 gross square feet, the locality has the option to achieve relevant ENERGY STAR certification and implement commissioning instead of the high-performance building standards. If the building type is not eligible for ENERGY STAR certification, energy modeling must be used to demonstrate that the project will perform at least as well as the ENERGY STAR Target Finder value or meet equivalent standards provided in the guidance.

Location: US-VA

NH HB 1059

Title: relative to the state building code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: November 27, 2023

Last Action Date: Executive Session: 03/06/2024 01:30 pm LOB 306-308. February 28, 2024

Summary: This bill updates the definition of the state building code to include the 2021 versions of the adopted I-Codes and the 2020 NEC.

Location: US-NH

TN SB 2635

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 Senate State and Local Government Committee calendar for 3/5/2024. February 27, 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

WA HB 2071

Title: Concerning residential housing regulations.

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 02, 2024

Last Action Date: Third reading, passed; yeas, 36; nays, 13; absent, 0; excused, 0.. February 27, 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

MN HF 4242

Title: State Building Code; residential energy code adoption standards and timelines modified, residential energy rating rebate program created, reports required, and money appropriated.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 26, 2024

Last Action Date: Introduction and first reading, referred to Labor and Industry Finance and Policy. February 26, 2024

Summary: This bill mandates that beginning in 2025, the commissioner has to adopt each new edition of the International Energy Conservation Code or a more efficient standard for residential energy codes. These codes must progressively move towards achieving an 80 percent reduction in annual net energy consumption by 2036. The bill also establishes a rebate program, called the Residential Energy Rating Rebate Program, to financially assist owners, builders, and developers of qualifying units certified under the United States Department of Energy's Zero Energy Ready Home Program. The commissioner will administer the rebate program and award rebates based on specified criteria and limitations. Reports on program outcomes must be submitted annually to legislative committees. An appropriation of \$600,000 in fiscal year 2025 is provided for the residential energy rating rebate program, with a portion allocated for administration and outreach.

Location: US-MN

ID H 662

Title: ELECTRICAL CODE – Repeals and adds to existing law to provide for the adoption of a certain electrical code, to provide for certain modifications to the electrical code, and to prohibit local governments from requiring certain installations.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 26, 2024

Last Action Date: Reported Printed and Referred to Business. February 26, 2024

Summary: This bill relates to the electrical code in Idaho and includes various amendments and repeals. The 2023 National Electrical Code, NFPA 70, is adopted with modifications related to ground-fault circuit-interrupter protections for specific locations in one-family and two-family dwelling units, other than dwelling units and specific appliances. Most notably, the bill adds a new section that prohibits local governments from mandating the installation of an electric vehicle circuit as part of any new home construction.

Location: US-ID

MN SF 4202

Title: Residential energy code adoption standards and timelines modification; residential rebate program creation; appropriating money

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 26, 2024

Last Action Date: Referred to Labor. February 26, 2024

Summary: Starting in 2025, this bill mandates the adoption of more efficient residential energy codes, aiming for an 80 percent reduction in annual net energy consumption by 2036. It establishes a residential energy rating rebate program to support owners, builders, and developers of energy-efficient homes certified under the Zero Energy Ready Home Program. The bill also includes provisions for application, rebate amounts, outreach, and reporting.

Location: US-MN

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918-460-0500

Title: Adopts The 2024 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code

Type: Proposed

Citations: 918-460-0500

Agency: Department of Consumer and Business Services

Publication Date: Mar 01, 2024

Summary: This proposed rule would update the Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code from consisting of the ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2019 to the ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2022, effective July 1, 2024.

Location: US-OR

918-460-0500

Title: Adopts The 2023 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code

Type: Proposed

Citations: 918-460-0500

Agency: Department of Consumer and Business Services

Publication Date: Mar 01, 2024

Summary: These proposed rules update the energy provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code (OSSC) from ASHRAE 90.1-2019 to the 2022 edition of ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1 with additional Oregon amendments. The proposed rules will provide a six-month phase-in period where either standard can be used. The anticipated effective date is July 1, 2024, dependent on the availability of COMcheck compliance software.

Location: US-OR