

Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
North Carolina	North Carolina Building Code Council Meeting	3/18/2024	Info
Oregon	Oregon Energy Advisory Work Group Meeting	3/18/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Binding Interpretation Panel Meeting	3/18/2024	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review Meeting	3/19/2024	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
North Dakota	North Dakota State Electrical Board Meeting	3/20/2024	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation Meeting	3/20/2024	Info
DC	DC Construction Codes Coordinating Board Regular Meeting	3/21/2024	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island EERMC Meeting	3/21/2024	Info
New York	New York State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council	3/22/2024	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
Florida	Florida Building Commission Product Approval Meeting	4/4/2024	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/5/2024	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Code Administration Technical Advisory Committee	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
Washington	Washington Advisory Board of Plumbers 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

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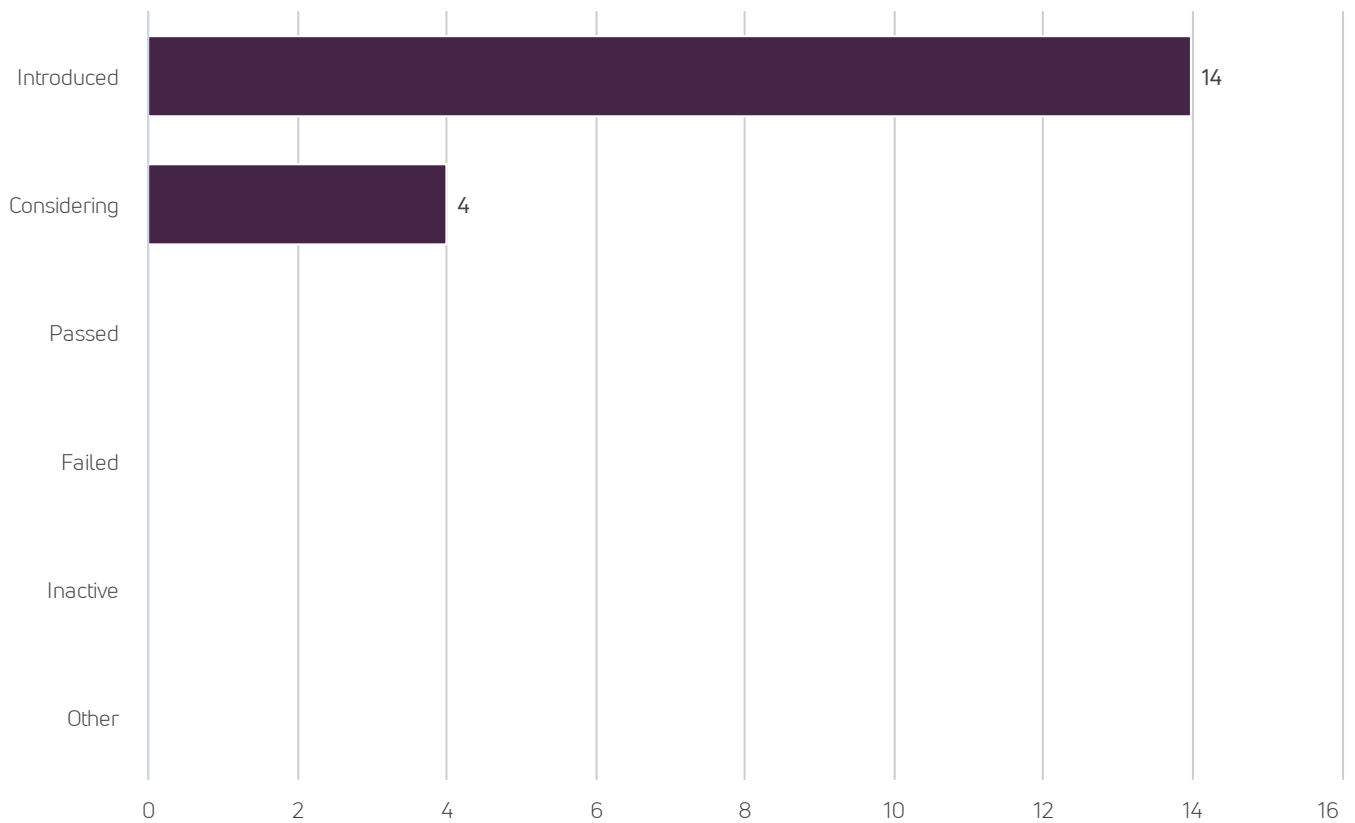
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State	Date	Title
Washington	3/15/2024	Washington State Building Code Council Advances Emergency Rule Excluding Section 308.1.4 of 2021 International Fire Code
<p>On March 15, 2024, the State Building Code Council moved forward with an Emergency Rule amending the adoption of the 2021 International Fire Code, specifying that Section 308.1.4, Open flame cooking devices, is not adopted.</p>		

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Bills by Status

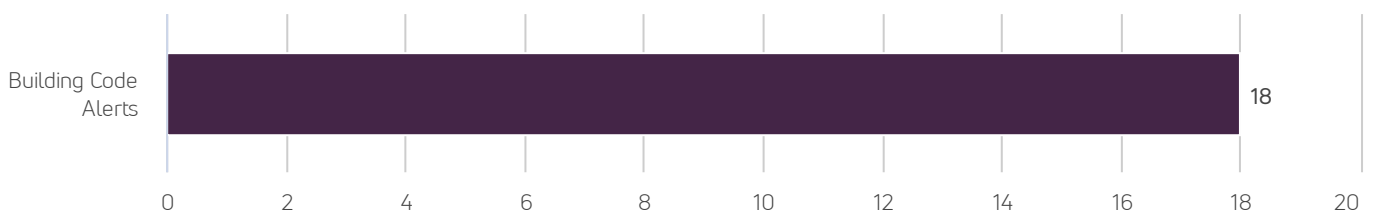
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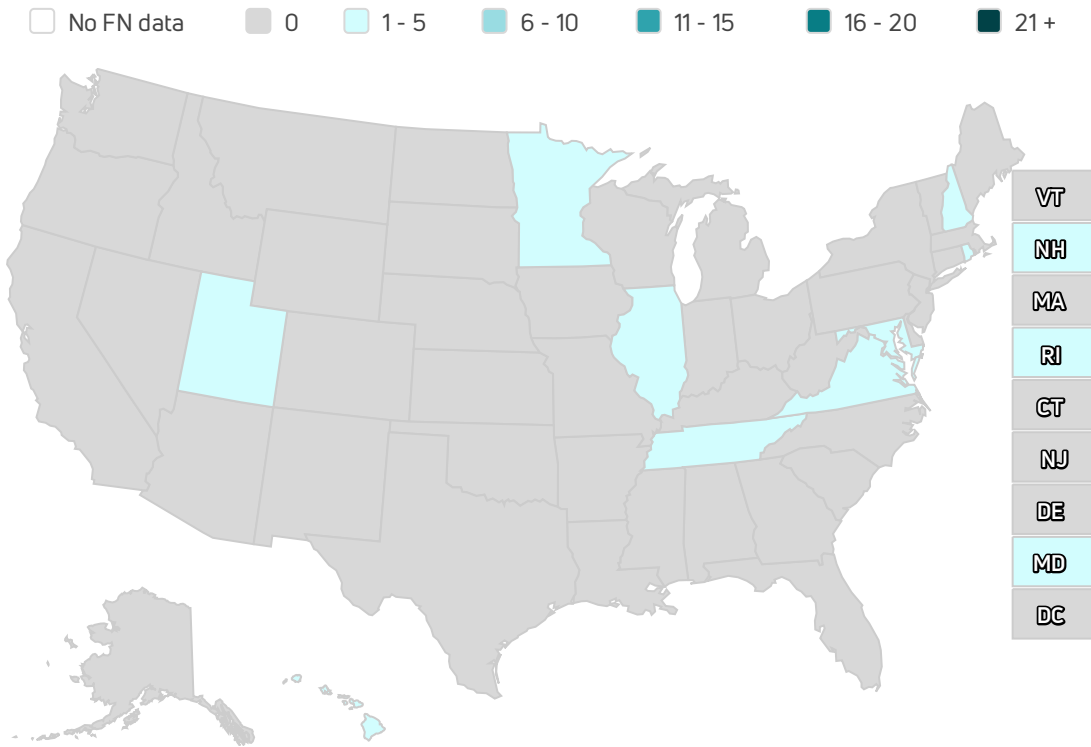
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Building Code Alerts Bills

18 Bills

MN SF 3538

Title: Expedited rulemaking authorization to modify the State Building Code to allow a single exit stairway to serve multifamily residential structures under certain circumstances

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 12, 2024

Last Action Date: Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to State and Local Government and Veterans. March 18, 2024

Summary: This bill instructs the commissioner to expedite the process of altering the State Building Code to allow for a single exit stairway for multifamily residential structures under certain conditions. These structures should not have an occupiable floor or roof more than 75 feet above the point where fire department vehicles can access. The bill also allows the first floor to be used for non-residential purposes, provided it is deemed nonhazardous by the building code and has separate entrances. The bill requires consideration for water supply for fire sprinkler systems, presence and response time of professional firefighters, and any other factors necessary for public safety. These changes to the code must be made by July 1, 2026, and the bill will be effective a day after its final enactment.

Location: US-MN

MD HB 823

Title: Fire Protection and Prevention - Residential Rental Property - Requirements (Melanie Nicholle Diaz Fire Safety Act)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 31, 2024

Last Action Date: Second Reading Passed with Amendments. March 16, 2024

Summary: This bill establishes certain requirements relating to the installation of certain fire safety equipment in residential rental high-rise buildings and certain other property. It authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of a county or municipal corporation to grant a certain property tax credit and establishes the Workgroup to Develop Fire Safety Best Practices for Pre-1974 High-Rise Buildings.

Location: US-MD

RI HB 7893

Title: An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code (Establishes Building Safety Code Standards For Multi-Dwelling Buildings And Requires The Development Of Recommendations For Resolving Any Conflicts Between Fire Safety Codes And The Building Codes.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: March 04, 2024

Last Action Date: Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/19/2024). March 15, 2024

Summary: This act would require the state building standards committee to amend the state building code to include multiple dwellings with six dwellings or fewer under the same section as one- and two-family dwellings. This act would also require the state fire marshal and the state building commissioner to develop recommendations for resolving any conflicts between fire safety codes and the building code. In addition, this act would require the state fire marshal and the state building commissioner to develop recommendations for standards that enable a single-exit stairway to serve multiple-dwelling buildings up to six stories in height. This act would take effect upon passage.

Location: US-RI

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: Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/21/2024). March 15, 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

HI HB 2089

Title: Relating To The State Building Code.

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 22, 2024

Last Action Date: The committee(s) on GVO has scheduled a public hearing on 03-19-24 3:00PM; Conference Room 225 & Videoconference.. March 15, 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

NH HB 1065

Title: relative to fire sprinkler requirements in residential buildings.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: November 27, 2023

Last Action Date: Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2024-1046h 03/08/2024 (Vote 10-0; CC). March 15, 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

NH HB 1059

Title: relative to the state building code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: November 27, 2023

Last Action Date: Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2024-0804h 03/06/2024 (Vote 20-0; RC). March 15, 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

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: Comm report: To pass as amended and re-refer to Energy, Utilities, Environment, and Climate. March 14, 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

IL SB 3758

Title: Energy-Insulation Req In Homes

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 09, 2024

Last Action Date: Placed on Calendar Order of 2nd Reading March 20, 2024. March 14, 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: House Committee Amendment No. 1 Referred to Rules Committee. March 14, 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

UT HB 518

Title: State Construction Code Modifications

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: February 09, 2024

Last Action Date: House/ to Governor. March 13, 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

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 3/19/2024. March 13, 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

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 cal. Local Government Committee for 3/19/2024. March 13, 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

TN SB 2430

Title: Codes - As introduced, prohibits a local government from limiting or prohibiting the use or installation of products that meet the national codes and standards or materials that meet the national codes and standards for single-family or multi-family housing or commercial construction under four stories; deletes provision declaring that a denial of a waiver by a local governmental entity pertaining to construction materials does not constitute a prohibition of those construction materials. - Amends TCA Section 68-120-101.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 30, 2024

Last Action Date: Placed on Senate Commerce and Labor Committee calendar for 3/13/2024. March 12, 2024

Summary: This amendment prohibits local government entities from limiting or prohibiting the use or installation of any product or material that meets national codes and standards for construction of single-family or multi-family housing or commercial buildings up to four stories in height. Currently, local government entities have the authority to regulate or restrict the use or installation of certain products or materials through the adoption, amendment, or enforcement of regulations, ordinances, or codes. T

Location: US-TN

TN HB 2530

Title: Codes - As introduced, prohibits a local government from limiting or prohibiting the use or installation of products that meet the national codes and standards or materials that meet the national codes and standards for single-family or multi-family housing or commercial construction under four stories; deletes provision declaring that a denial of a waiver by a local governmental entity pertaining to construction materials does not constitute a prohibition of those construction materials. - Amends TCA Section 68-120-101.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 30, 2024

Last Action Date: Taken off notice for cal in s/c Business & Utilities Subcommittee of Commerce Committee. March 12, 2024

Summary: This amendments prohibits local government entities from limiting or prohibiting the use or installation of any product or material that meets national codes and standards for construction of single-family or multi-family housing or commercial buildings up to four stories in height. Currently, local government entities have the authority to regulate or restrict the use or installation of certain products or materials through the adoption, amendment, or enforcement of regulations, ordinances, or codes.

Location: US-TN

UT SB 168

Title: Affordable Building Amendments

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 31, 2024

Last Action Date: Senate/ to Governor. March 12, 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

VA HB 151

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

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 02, 2024

Last Action Date: Governor: Governor's Action Deadline 11:59 p.m., April 8, 2024. March 11, 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 1387

Title: relative to revisions to the state building code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: December 06, 2023

Last Action Date: Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment # 2024-0813h 03/06/2024 (Vote 19-0; CC). March 11, 2024

Summary: This bill aims to make amendments to various sections of the state building code. It includes provisions regarding accessibility standards for public buildings, the composition and term length of the State Building Code Review Board, the review and assessment of the state building code, energy code compliance, and appeal of decisions. The bill also repeals certain sections of the current building code. The effective date of this bill will be 60 days after its passage.

Location: US-NH
