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Code Alerts

Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

| State | Body | Date | Link |
|-------|---|------------|----------------------|
| NC | North Carolina Building/Fire Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting | 12/29/2021 | Info |
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| IN | Indiana Fire Prevention & Building Safety Commission Meeting | 1/4/2022 | Info |
| WA | Building Code Council TAG (Mechanical/Ventilation Code) Meeting | 1/6/2022 | Info |

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Recent Activity Alerts



Energy

| State | Date | Title |
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| Hawaii | 12/20/2021 | Hawaii Adoption of the 2018 IECC |
| <p>On December 20, the Hawaii State Building Code Council adopted the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) with amendments.</p> | | |
| California | 12/22/2021 | California Electrical Commission hearing on Load Management Standards Regulations |
| <p>On December 22, the California Electrical Commission (CEC) held a hearing on Initial Statement of Reasons for Load Management Standards (LMS) Regulations. The purpose of the LMS regulations is to carry out the CEC's statutory mandate to establish utility programs that reduce peak electricity demand, help balance electricity supply and demand to support grid reliability and provide clean and affordable electricity services to Californians. The intended outcome of these proposed amendments is to facilitate load management activities by consumers. The standards form the foundation for a statewide demand automation system that aggregates and publishes time-dependent rate information from utilities. This data can be used by mass-market end-use automation to provide time- and location- specific demand flexibility. Such a system would enable automation markets to coalesce around agreed upon principles and consumer technologies for load management.</p> | | |

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Bills with Recent Activity



Legislation

| State | Bill # | Bill Title | Primary Sponsor | Last Action | Date |
|--|-------------------------|---|-----------------|----------------------------|------------|
| WA | HB 1682 | Concerning a compliance pathway specific to emissions-intensive, trade-exposed businesses for achieving their proportionate share of the state's emissions reduction limits through 2050. | Joe Fitzgibbon | Prefiled for introduction. | 12/21/2021 |
| <p>This bill adds that for the year beginning January 1, 2035, the benchmark for each emissions-intensive, trade-exposed facility is 88 percent of the facility's carbon intensity baseline. For each year beginning January 1, 2036, until January 1, 2050, the benchmark for each emissions intensive, trade-exposed facility is six percent below the percentage of no cost allowances awarded during the preceding year.</p> | | | | | |

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State Rules & Notices



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| State | Pub. Date | Type | Title |
|---|------------|----------|--|
| CO | 12/26/2021 | Final | Rules Regulating Electric Utilities (DOC) |
| <p>The purpose of these rules is to require electric utilities to file a Distribution System Plan that enables the Commission to review the utility's investments in the distribution grid to ensure that they cost-effectively support grid adequacy, reliability and resilience and prepare for new expectations upon the distribution system, while simultaneously ensuring progress toward priorities highlighted by the state, including diversification of energy supply through distributed energy resources, expanding the utilization of non-wire alternatives that may reduce the need for conventional distribution grid investment, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, advancing building and transportation electrification, maintaining affordable customer rates, and promoting equity with regard to disproportionately impacted communities.</p> | | | |
| PA | 12/25/2021 | Final | Uniform Construction Code |
| <p>The purpose of this rulemaking is to adopt recognized international standards for accessible and usable buildings and structures. This final-omitted rulemaking implements current state of the art accessibility standards and conforms to standards issued by the United States Department of Justice under the Americans with Disabilities Act (Pub.L. No. 101-336). Adopting Chapter 11 and Appendix E of the 2021 International Building Code (IBC) for new construction along with the accessibility provisions contained in the 2021 International Existing Building Code (IEBC), the 2021 International Plumbing Code (IPC) and the 2021 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) will allow the Department to comply with the directive of the act to update accessibility requirements in the UCC with successor codes.</p> | | | |
| NV | 12/22/2021 | Notice | Establishes Methods And Programs Relating To Expanded Solar Access Programs |
| <p>This regulation would limit the amount of energy that may be allocated to certain categories of customers under an expanded solar access program; require an electric utility to submit to the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada an expanded solar access program plan; establish the application and selection process for an expanded solar access program; establish requirements for the selection of locations for community-based solar resources; establish requirements for rates charged under an expanded solar access program; and authorize an electric utility to recover certain costs of implementing an expanded solar access program.</p> | | | |
| FL | 12/21/2021 | Proposed | Standards Of The National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 101, The Life Safety Code, Florida 2018 Edition, Adopted; Standards Of The National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 1, The Fire Code, Florida 2018 Edition, Adopted |
| <p>This rulemaking will amend sections of the FFPC that incorporate the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) Standard 1 and NFPA Standard 101 to remove sections of each document related to refuse and trash in doorsteps and means of egress and sections related to structural components of buildings dealing with falls.</p> | | | |