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Code Alerts

Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
New Jersey	New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers Meeting	4/19/2022	N/A
Illinois	Illinois Fire Advisory Commission Meeting	4/19/2022	Info
North Carolina	North Carolina Residential Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting	4/19/2022	N/A
North Carolina	North Carolina Fuel Gas Code Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting	4/19/2022	N/A
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board Meeting	4/19/2022	N/A
North Carolina	North Carolina Mechanical Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting	4/19/2022	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Hearing	4/19/2022	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Processing Code Committee Meeting	4/19/2022	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Building Code Board of Appeals Meeting	4/19/2022	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council Committee Meeting	4/21/2022	Info
Connecticut	Connecticut Plumbing and Piping Work Examining Board Meeting	4/21/2022	Info
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	4/22/2022	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Meeting	4/22/2022	N/A
New Hampshire	New Hampshire State Building Code Review Board Meeting	4/22/2022	N/A
New Jersey	New Jersey Energy Efficiency & Sustainable Energy Board Meeting	4/26/2022	N/A
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	4/27/2022	Info
New Jersey	New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Master Plumbers Meeting	4/28/2022	N/A
Vermont	Vermont Plumbers Examining Board Meeting	4/28/2022	N/A

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Building

State	Date	Title
NJ	4/18/2022	NJ UCC- Building, Electrical, Fire Protection, Energy, Mechanical, One- and Two-Family Dwelling and Fuel Gas Subcodes Proposed Amendments

In order to implement the most recently published technical standards, in keeping with its statutory charge at N.J.S.A. 52:27D-120, the Department proposes the 2021 editions of the IBC, IRC, IECC, IMC, and IFGC, and the 2020 edition of the NEC, to update the above-referenced subcodes of the UCC with amendments. These proposed amendments reflect the changes to the 2021 IBC, 2021 IRC, 2021 IECC, 2021 IMC, 2021 IGFC, and 2020 NEC that modify the codes to align with New Jersey conditions and laws. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:27D-125, the proposed rulemaking has been reviewed by the Uniform Construction Code Advisory Board (CAB) and its subcode committees and reflects the advice of the CAB. Submit comments by June 17, 2022.

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Electrical/Plumbing

State	Date	Title
NJ	4/18/2022	NJ UCC - Plumbing Subcode Proposed Amendment: N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.15

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Bills with Recent Activity



Legislation

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
HB 2423	HI	"Relating To Climate Change Mitigation."	Lisa Marten	Apr 18, 2022	Passed Second Chamber
<p>This bill adds a section providing that each public works project shall conform to the applicable carbon concrete standards contained in division 600 of the highways division of the department of transportation's special provisions for standard specifications dated July 10, 2020.</p>					
SP 432 (LD 1350)	ME	"An Act To Expand Maine's Clean Energy Economy"	Eloise Vitelli	Apr 15, 2022	Passed First Chamber
<p>This bill amends the State's renewable portfolio standard procurement law to authorize 2 additional competitive solicitations by the Public Utilities Commission for contracts with Class IA resources to procure, in total, an amount of energy or renewable energy credits equal to 15% of retail electricity sales in the State during calendar year 2019. It requires 100% of the energy or renewable energy credits contracted following those additional competitive solicitations to come from Class IA resources that begin commercial operations after June 30, 2021.</p>					
HB 803	LA	"Provides relative to the State Building Energy Conservation Code"	Foy Gadberry	Apr 14, 2022	Passed First Chamber
<p>The bill amends current code, adding that all new state buildings constructed in La. must comply with the State Building Energy Conservation Code. The bill also provides that the term of each member of the energy commission shall end upon the adoption of the 2021 International Energy Code.</p>					
SB 1194	CA	"Public restrooms: building standards."	Ben Allen	Apr 14, 2022	Introduced
<p>This bill would authorize a city, county, or city and county to require, by ordinance or resolution, that public restrooms constructed within its jurisdiction comply with specified requirements instead of complying with the plumbing standards set forth in the California Building Standards Code.</p>					
SB 1203	CA	"Zero net emissions of greenhouse gases: state agency operations."	Josh Becker, Dave Cortese	Apr 14, 2022	Introduced
<p>This bill would declare the policy of the state that state agencies achieve zero net emissions of greenhouse gases resulting from their operations no later than January 1, 2035. The bill would require each state agency to develop and publish a plan on or before January 1, 2025, that describes its current greenhouse gas emissions inventory and its planned actions for achieving net zero emissions of greenhouse gases and would require the state agency to update the plan beginning June 30, 2027, and every 2 years thereafter until June 30, 2035.</p>					
HB 1681	NH	"Relative to the state building code and the state fire code."	Carol McGuire	Apr 13, 2022	Passed Second Chamber
<p>This bill updates the state's building codes to the 2018 edition of the ICC. This includes the IBC, IEBC, IPC, IMC, IECC, and IRC. It also updates the NEC to the 2020 edition.</p>					

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SB 448	NH	"Relative to energy reduction by state agencies."	David Watters	Apr 13, 2022	Passed First Chamber
<p>This bill requires a reduction in fossil fuel emissions by state owned facilities, establishes the state government energy committee within the department of energy to advise the state energy manager on how to improve the energy efficiency of state property, and encourages the use of electric vehicles by state agencies.</p>					
HB 1790	PA	"An Act amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act"	Jason Silvis	Apr 12, 2022	Passed First Chamber
<p>Establishes a uniform construction code; imposing powers and duties on municipalities and the Department of Labor and Industry; providing for enforcement; imposing penalties; and making repeals," in adoption and enforcement by municipalities, further providing for consideration of applications and inspections; and, in training and certification of inspectors, providing for corrective action.</p>					
HB 706	MD	"Maryland Department of Emergency Management - Office of Resilience"	Sheree Sample-Hughes, Watson	Apr 11, 2022	Failed Sine Die
<p>This bill directs the MD Clean Energy Center to coordinate with the Office of Resilience to update and draft building codes to withstand flooding and promote the use of electric heat, electric heat pumps, and electric appliances to reduce the use of gas and other fossil fuels. It also directs the Dept. of Labor to coordinate with the Office of Resilience to develop consumer-focused campaigns to educate the public on the importance of resilient building to homeowners and review current building code adoption across the state, evaluate the impact that building code adoption has on community resilience, jobs, property values, and tax revenues, and assess what investments may support the increased adoption of updated building codes that are responsive to climate-related risks.</p>					

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State Rules & Notices



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