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Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Fire Service Commission	1/23/2023	Info
Iowa	Iowa Plumbing & Mechanical Systems Board Meeting	1/24/2023	Info
North Dakota	North Dakota State Electrical Board Meeting	1/25/2023	Info
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	1/25/2023	Info
North Dakota	North Dakota State Electrical Board Meeting	1/25/2023	Info
Idaho	Idaho State Plumbing Board Meeting	1/26/2023	Info
Connecticut	Connecticut Plumbing and Piping Board Meeting	1/26/2023	Info
South Dakota	South Dakota Plumbing Commission Meeting	1/27/2023	Info
Hawaii	Hawaii Electrician and Plumber Board Meeting	1/31/2023	Info
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Electricity Meeting	1/31/2023	Info
Idaho	Idaho Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) Board Meeting	2/1/2023	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	2/2/2023	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	2/3/2023	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	2/3/2023	Info
South Carolina	South Carolina Building Codes Council Meeting	2/6/2023	Info
Louisiana	Louisiana Oil and Gas Hearings	2/7/2023	Info
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	2/7/2023	Info
California	California Green Building CAC Meeting	2/8/2023	Info
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board Meeting	2/10/2023	Info
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	2/14/2023	Info
Louisiana	Louisiana Oil and Gas Hearings	2/14/2023	Info
Idaho	Idaho State Electrical Board Meeting	2/15/2023	Info
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	2/17/2023	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy Board	2/17/2023	Info

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Building

State	Date	Title
Washington	1/20/2023	BCC to discuss changes to IBC, IFC, and IRC The Washington State Building Code Council will discuss: (1) modifying the definitions of "child care", and "family home" in IBC and IRC; and (2) adopting R-4 Occupancy Group in 2021 IBC and 2021 IFC.
DC	1/19/2023	CCCC discusses several code change proposals The DC Construction Codes Coordinating Board will discuss 16 code change proposals for introduction.
Massachusetts	1/23/2023	MA BCCC Discusses Amendments The Massachusetts Building Code Coordinating Council will review and potentially vote on proposed amendments to the State Building Regulations and Standards 780 CMR.

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Fire

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Hawaii	1/20/2023	Hawaii Adoption of NFPA and HVAC amendments The Hawaii state Fire Council discussed and voted to adopt amendments to the NFPA 1 Fire Code 2021.
New York	1/9/2023	NYS provides notice of rule in development for Uniform Code, Part 1205 The New York State Department of State is proposing amendments to amend and update Part 1205 of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. Specifically, the rule in development would: add definitions and for clarification; and add a process for alternative compliance cases to allow the use of the design, construction, and maintenance provisions or requirements of a nationally recognized standard or code that is not expressly allowed by the Uniform Code.

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Energy

State	Date	Title
Hawaii	1/19/2023	Hawaii adopts new state energy code
Hawaii will adopt the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) with state-specific amendments.		

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Electrical/Plumbing

State	Date	Title
Texas	1/18/2023	Texas Administrative Code Amendments
<p>The Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Board will discuss proposed amendments to 22 TAC related to the four-year rule review conducted to according to the Texas Government Code § 2001.039.</p>		

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Bills with Recent Activity



Legislation

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
HB 6	MD	"Department of General Services – Energy-Conserving Standards (Maryland Sustainable Buildings Act of 2023)"	Terri Hill	Hearing 2/08 at 2:30 p.m. (Health and Government Operations)	1/20/2023
The bill directs the Department of General Services to establish and periodically update standards for State buildings to conserve energy and minimize adverse impacts on birds. It also requires the Maryland Green Building Council to include the standards in any requirements established for participation in a higher-performance building program in the State. Finally, it defines "State building" as one acquired, constructed, or renovated by the State or one for which 50% of the money for acquisition, construction, or renovation came from State funds.					
HB 23-1085	CO	"Rural County and Municipality Energy Efficient Building Codes"	Matthew Martinez	Introduced In House - Assigned to Energy & Environment	1/19/2023
This bill requires counties and municipalities are currently required to adopt and enforce certain energy-efficient building codes concurrently with the updating of their existing building codes or, before July 1, 2023 only, concurrently with either the adoption or updating of their building codes. The bill extends the compliance periods for adoption and enforcement of the model energy codes by a rural county as follows: (1) an energy code that achieves equivalent or better energy performance than the 2021 international energy conservation code and the model electric-ready and solar-ready code language developed by the energy board is not required prior to July 1, 2030; (2) an energy code that achieves equivalent or better energy and carbon emissions performance than the model low energy and carbon code developed by the energy board is not required prior to July 1, 2032; and (3) an energy code that achieves equivalent or better energy performance than one of the 3 most recent editions of the international energy conservation code is not required prior to July 1, 2025.					
HB 197	HI	"Relating To Climate Change Mitigation."	Nicole Lowen	Introduced and Pass First Reading.	1/19/2023
This bill directs the department of health to establish a refrigerant management program to reduce emissions of high global warming potential refrigerants and any refrigerant that is an ozone-depleting substance from the operation of stationary, commercial, and industrial refrigeration equipment responsible and adopt rules for the regulation of the use of such refrigerants. It also requires the state building code council to establish codes and standards consistent with the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions associated with hydrofluorocarbons when updating the state building code.					

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Legislation (continued)

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
HB 195	HI	"Relating To Renewable Energy."	Nicole Lowen	Introduced and Pass First Reading.	1/19/2023
This bill requires government entities in the State that issue building permits to implement SolarAPP+ or a functionally equivalent online automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and issues permits to licensed contractors for solar distributed energy resource systems in real time by 1/1/2024. It also requires government entities in the State that issue building permits to adopt self-certification for solar distributed energy resource systems that are not SolarAPP+ compatible.					
SB 92	MD	"Department of General Services – Energy–Conserving Standards (Maryland Sustainable Buildings Act of 2023)"	Clarence Lam	Hearing 2/02 at 2:00 p.m.	1/19/2023
The bill directs the Department of General Services to establish and periodically update standards for State buildings to conserve energy and minimize adverse impacts on birds. It also requires the Maryland Green Building Council to include the standards in any requirements established for participation in a higher-performance building program in the State. Finally, it defines "State building" as one acquired, constructed, or renovated by the State or one for which 50% of the money for acquisition, construction, or renovation came from State funds.					
SB 48	CA	"Building performance standards."	Josh Becker	Referred to Com. on RLS.	1/18/2023
This bill provides that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to create building performance standards for improvements in energy efficiency and reductions in the emissions of greenhouse gases in large buildings, including measures to ensure that making the necessary investments to improve these buildings will improve equity and avoid displacement or increased energy burdens.					
LB 164	NE	"LB164 - Adopt updates to building and energy codes"	Terrell McKinney	Notice of hearing for January 24, 2023	1/17/2023
This bill adopts the following building codes: the International Building Code (IBC), chapter 13 of the 2021 6 edition, and all but such chapter of the 2018 edition, except 101.4.3 and chapter 29; and the International Residential Code (IRC), chapter 11 of the 2021 12 edition, and all but such chapter of the 2018 edition, except section 13 R313 and chapters 25 through 33. A local building or construction code shall be deemed to conform generally with the state building code if it adopts Chapter 13 of the 2021 edition of the International Building Code, or Chapter 11 of the 2021 edition of the International Residential Code.					

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State Rules & Notices



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State	Pub. Date	Type	Title
WA	1/18/23	Final	The Purpose Of This Permanent Rule Making Is To Adopt The 2021 International Building Code (structural Provisions), And The 2021 International Existing Building Code, Published By The International Code Council (ICC), With State Amendments To Incorporate Proposed Changes As Adopted By The Washington State Building Code Council On November 18, 2022
This rule adopts the 2021 International Building Code (structural provisions), and the 2021 International Existing Building Code, published by the International Code Council (ICC), with state amendments to incorporate proposed changes as adopted by the Washington state building code council on November 18, 2022.			
WA	1/18/23	Final	State Building Code Adoption And Amendment Of The 2021 Edition Of The International Residential Code
This rule adopts the 2021 International Residential Code, published by the International Code Council, with state amendments to incorporate proposed changes as adopted by the Washington state building code council on November 18, 2022.			
WA	1/18/23	Final	State Building Code Adoption And Amendment Of The 2021 Edition Of The Wildland-Urban Interface Code
This rule adopts the 2021 Washington Wildland - Urban Interface Code, with state amendments to incorporate proposed changes as adopted by the Washington state building code council on November 18, 2022.			
WA	1/18/23	Final	2021 International Energy Conservation Code
This rule updates the 2018 edition of chapter 51-11R WAC, the Washington State Energy Code Residential Provisions, to the 2021 edition, incorporating changes from the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code.			
WA	1/18/23	Final	State Building Code Adoption And Amendment Of The 2021 Edition Of The Uniform Plumbing Code
This final rule adopt the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, with state amendments to incorporate proposed changes as adopted by the Washington state building code council on November 18, 2022.			
WA	1/18/23	Final	State Building Code Adoption And Amendment Of The 2021 Edition Of The International Mechanical Code
The proposed rule adopts the 2021 edition of the International Mechanical Code and International Fuel Gas Code, published by the International Code Council, with state amendments to incorporate proposed changes as adopted by the Washington state building code council and codified under chapter 51-52 WAC.			