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Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Electrical Code Interpretation Committee Meeting	2/27/2023	Info
South Carolina	South Carolina Building Codes Council Meeting	2/28/2023	Info
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	2/28/2023	Info
California	California Building, Fire, & Other and Structural Design/Lateral Forces Combined CAC Meeting	3/1/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters Meeting	3/1/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Electrical Code Interpretation Committee Meeting	3/2/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	3/2/2023	Info
Colorado	Colorado State Electrical Board Meeting	3/3/2023	Info
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	3/6/2023	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board Meeting	3/8/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	3/9/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State MVE Committee Meeting	3/10/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State BPF Committee Meeting	3/10/2023	Info
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	3/14/2023	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Meeting	3/14/2023	Info
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	3/14/2023	Info
California	California Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical, & Energy CAC Meeting	3/15/2023	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council Meeting	3/16/2023	Info

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Building

State	Date	Title
Florida	3/14/2023	<u>FBC to provide update on Building Code 8th Edition (2023) and hold workshop on Administrative Code Rule 61G20-1.001</u>
The Florida Building Commission will: (1) provide an update on the work plan status of the Florida Building Code, 8th Edition (2023); and (2) hold a rule development workshop for Rule 61G20-1.001 of the Florida Administrative Code.		

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Electrical/Plumbing

State	Date	Title
Colorado	3/3/2023	<u>CO Public Hearing on Adoption of the National Electrical Code 2023</u>
The Colorado State Electrical Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule to incorporate the National Electrical Code as the new minimum code standard.		

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Bills with Recent Activity



Legislation

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
HB 532	UT	Building Code Revisions	Calvin R. Musselman	Senate/ 1st reading (Introduced) : Senate Rules Committee	2/27/2023
<p>This bill adopts, with certain statewide amendments, the International Code Council's 2021 edition of the International Building Code, including Appendix J, certain International Residential Code, including Appendices E and Q, International Plumbing Code, Mechanical Code, International Fuel Gas Code, commercial provisions of the International Energy Conservation Code, International Existing Building Code, and International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.</p>					
HB 409	UT	State Construction and Fire Codes Amendments	Thomas Peterson	House/ placed on Concurrence Calendar	2/24/2023
<p>The bill repeals the Tall Wood Buildings of Mass Timber Construction Incorporated as Part of the State Construction Code, adopts the 2021 edition of the International Fire Code, with amendments; and adopts and amends certain National Fire Protection Association codes and standards.</p>					
HB 197	HI	Relating To Climate Change Mitigation.	Nicole E. Lowen	Bill scheduled to be heard by FIN on Monday, 02-27-23	2/24/2023
<p>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.</p>					

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HB 433. LC 3555	MT	Clarify use of certain refrigerants	Tom Welch	(S) First Reading	2/24/2023
<p>This bill provides that the department may not prohibit or limit in the state building code the use of refrigerants listed as acceptable for use by the United States environmental protection as safe alternatives to class I and class II ozone-depleting substances.</p>					
SB 406. LC 562	MT	Revise laws related to local building codes	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Hearing	2/24/2023
<p>This bill amends municipal authorization to adopt building codes. It specifies that a city, county, or town may not adopt or enforce a building code that is more stringent than the building code adopted by the department or as required by state law.</p>					
HB 2689	TX	Relating to the adoption of a certain plumbing code by the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners.	Cecil Bell	Filed	2/23/2023
<p>This bill adopts the 2015 edition of the International Plumbing Code, as published by the International Code Council and would take effect on September 1, 2023.</p>					

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HB 23-1085	CO	Rural County and Municipality Energy Efficient Building Codes	Matthew Martinez	House Committee on Energy & Environment Postpone Indefinitely	2/23/2023
<p>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</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 799 SB 1377	TN	Codes - As introduced, requires that the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code published by the International Code Council be used for the minimum energy conservation standards for new residential construction. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 13, Chapter 19 and Title 68, Chapter 120.	Jason Zachary	Placed on s/c cal Business & Utilities Subcommittee for 2/28/2023	2/22/2023
<p>This bill amends the code, adding that a local jurisdiction may adopt the 2000 International Energy Conservation Code with 2002 amendments, published by the ICC, as the minimum requirements for the effective use of energy in new buildings in that jurisdiction. It also adds that for a new residential building construction on or after July 1, 2023, the energy conservation standards in the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code published by the International Code Council are the state energy conservation standards.</p>					

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HF 2170	MN	Establishment of global warming impact standards required for construction materials used in state buildings and roads, global warming standards integrated into procurement process, pilot programs established to report greenhouse gas emissions from manufacture of products, grant program established, technical advisory committee established, and reports required.	Kaela Berg	Introduction and first reading, referred to Sustainable Infrastructure Policy	2/21/2023
<p>The bill creates the Buy Clean and Buy Fair Minnesota Act. The Act directs the commissioner of the Department of Administration to establish and publish a maximum acceptable global warming potential for each eligible material used in an eligible project. Specifically for concrete and structural steel by January 15, 2025. The maximum global warming potential must be consistent with the criteria in an environmental product declaration.</p>					
<p>The Department of Administration and the Department of Transportation will require in a specification for bids for an eligible project that the global warming potential reported by a bidder in the environmental product declaration for any eligible material must not exceed the maximum acceptable global warming potential for that eligible material or product.</p>					
HB 5764	RI	An Act Relating To State Affairs And Government -- Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act (Establishes The Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act As A New Article In The State Building Code.)	Jennifer A. Stewart	Introduced, referred to House State Government & Elections	2/21/2023
<p>This bill creates the Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act. It provides that it is unlawful a person or entity, with respect to a covered dwelling unit for new construction or substantial rehabilitation by the person or entity, to fail to ensure that the dwelling unit contains no fewer than one level that complies with the Standards for Type C (Visitable) Units of the American National Standards Institute (commonly known as "ANSI") Standards for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities (section 1005 of ICC ANSI A117.1-2009).</p>					

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SB 795	CA	Energy: building energy efficiency: heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment: sale registry and compliance tracking system: compliance document data repository.	Henry I. Stern	From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 20.	2/21/2023
<p>This bill would require the commission to develop and implement an electronic statewide heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment sales registry and compliance tracking system. The bill would also require the commission to develop and implement an electronic statewide compliance document data repository.</p>					
SB 1377 HB 799	TN	Codes - As introduced, requires that the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code published by the International Code Council be used for the minimum energy conservation standards for new residential construction. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 13, Chapter 19 and Title 68, Chapter 120.	Steve Southerland	Placed on Senate Commerce and Labor Committee calendar for 2/28/2023	2/21/2023
<p>This bill declares that the energy conservation standards for a new residential building construction on or after July 1, 2023, will be the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code. The bill provides that for new non-residential construction, a local government shall adopt the state code for energy conservation in new building construction with any amendments it deems reasonably necessary to accommodate local conditions.</p>					

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State Rules & Notices



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State	Pub. Date	Type	Title
LA	2/20/23	Final	Building Code for State-Owned Buildings

The Office of Facility Planning and Control is adopting the following codes: the Life Safety Code, standard 101, 2015 edition as published by the National Fire Protection Association, the 2021 edition of the IPC with amendments, the 2021 edition of the IBC not including chapter 1 (administration), chapter 11 (accessibility), and chapter 27 (electrical), the 2021 edition of the IMC, and the 202 edition of the NEC or NFPA 70.