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Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	3/14/2023	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Meeting	3/14/2023	Info
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California	California Plumbing, Electrical, Mechanical, & Energy CAC Meeting	3/15/2023	Info
New Mexico	New Mexico Construction Industries Commission Meeting	3/15/2023	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Health and Educational Building Corporation	3/15/2023	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Board of Fire Control	3/15/2023	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Electric Distribution Utilities Status Conference	3/16/2023	Info
Rhode Island	Rhode Island Energy Efficiency & Resource Management Council Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
DC	DC Construction Codes Coordinating Board Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Fire Service Commission Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
Washington	Washington BCC Legislative Committee Meeting	3/16/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Meeting	3/17/2023	Info
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	3/17/2023	Info

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New Hampshire	New Hampshire Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy Board	3/17/2023	Info
Virginia	Virginia State Building Code Technical Review Board Meeting	3/17/2023	Info
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission	3/21/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Building Code Appeals Board Meeting	3/21/2023	Info
North Dakota	North Dakota State Electrical Board Meeting	3/22/2023	Info
DC	DC Commercial Energy TAG Meeting	3/23/2023	Info
Georgia	Georgia National Electrical Code Task Force Meeting	3/23/2023	Info

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Electrical/Plumbing

State	Date	Title
Massachusetts	10/20/2022	BCCC to discuss amendments to the State Electrical Code.
The Building Code Coordinating Council will propose amendments to the 527 CMR 12.00, Massachusetts Electrical Code which maintains the 2020 NEC Code.		

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Legislation

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
HB 532	UT	Building Code Revisions	Calvin R. Musselman	House/ enrolled bill to Printing	3/10/2023
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.					
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	Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/14/2023)	3/10/2023
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).					
HB 6	MD	Department of General Services - Energy-Conserving Standards (Maryland Sustainable Buildings Act of 2023)	Terri L. Hill	Referred Education, Energy, and the Environment	3/10/2023
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.					

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HB 409	UT	State Construction and Fire Codes Amendments	Thomas W. Peterson	House/ enrolled bill to Printing	3/9/2023
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.					
HB 197	HI	Relating To Climate Change Mitigation.	Nicole E. Lowen	Referred to AEN/HHS, WAM.	3/9/2023
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.					
HB 23-1233	CO	Electric Vehicle Charging And Parking Requirements	Tisha Mauro	Referred to committee	3/8/2023
This bill would require the state electrical board to adopt rules requiring compliance, starting January 1, 2024, with the provisions of the model electric ready and solar ready code that require multifamily buildings to be electric vehicle (EV) capable and EV ready and to have EV supply equipment installed. The board cannot adopt rules that prevent the installation or use of EV charging stations except for safety concerns. The bill also broadens the prohibition on landlords unreasonably preventing the installation of EV charging equipment in leased premises to include assigned or deeded parking spaces, parking spaces accessible to tenants, and commercial rental property. Landlords are also required to allow EVs or plug-in hybrid vehicles to park on their premises. It also extends the prohibition on common interest communities unreasonably prohibiting the installation of EV charging equipment to include assigned or deeded parking spaces for units and parking spaces accessible to unit owners. Local governments must count parking spaces served by an EV charging station as at least one standard automobile parking space and any wheelchair-accessible van parking served by an EV charging station as at least two standard automobile parking spaces. Finally, the bill exempts EV charging systems from property tax until 2030.					

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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	Referred to commerce committee	3/8/2023
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.					
SB 48	CA	Water and Energy Savings Act.	Josh Becker	Re-referred to committee	3/8/2023
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.					

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A 5249	NY	Directs the state fire prevention and building code council to update the state fire prevention and building code and the state energy conservation construction code	Pamela Jo Hunter	Referred to committee	3/7/2023
<p>This bill requires the state uniform fire prevention and building code the state energy conservation code be updated in accordance to changes in international fire codes. These codes include the International Building Code, the International Fire Code, the International Residential Code, the International Plumbing Code, the International Mechanical Code, the International Property Maintenance Code, and the National Electrical Code.</p> <p>It also stipulates that when an edition of a code is updated, the council shall, within twelve months of such publication, update the uniform fire prevention and building code to be updated to reflect such changes.</p>					
SB 682	CA	Low-carbon cement and concrete.	Nancy Skinner	Set for hearing March 29.	3/7/2023
<p>The bill would set a policy for state agencies to purchase or specify at least 10%, by volume, of cement and concrete, including supplementary cementitious materials by 2030 and to exclude the purchase of fossil-based supplementary cementitious materials by 2035. The bill would require, by March 31, 2024, the Transportation Agency, the Department of Transportation, the Department of General Services, the Department of Water Resources, and other state agencies, in collaboration with the State Air Resources Board, to develop and enter into advance procurement agreements for the purchase or specification of low-carbon cement and low-carbon concrete products up to 10 years in advance that would facilitate the development of production of concrete, cement, and supplementary cementitious materials that meet or exceed the benchmark for low-carbon cement and concrete.</p>					

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HB 5600	RI	An Act Relating To Public Property And Works -- All-Electric Building Act (Provides That No City Or Town Would Issue A Permit For The Construction Of New Buildings That Are Not An All-Electric Building, If The Initial Application For A Permit Was Submitted After December 31, 2024, Unless Certain Circumstances Apply.)	Terri-Denise Cortvriend	Committee recommended measure be held for further study	3/7/2023
This bill creates a new chapter titled "All Electric Building Act". The Act would require all new buildings to be built with electricity as the sole energy source, with the exception of restaurants, hospitals, medical facilities, and biolabs, if a permit application was submitted after December 31, 2024. Cities and towns would be prohibited from issuing a permit for the conversion of an all-electric building to a mixed-fuel building. The Act would take effect upon passage and the Public Utilities Commission, the Office of Housing and Community Development, and the State Building Code Commission must report jointly to the Governor, Senate President, and Speaker of the House.					
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 3/14/2023	3/7/2023
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.					

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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	Author added Curran	3/6/2023
<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>					
SF 1368	MN	Energy code adoption modification for new commercial buildings	Lindsey Port	Author added Marty	3/6/2023
<p>This bill modifies the energy code, adding that beginning in 2024, the commissioner will adopt each newly published edition of ASHRAE 90.1 or a more efficient standard, and amend it as necessary to achieve a minimum of eight percent energy efficiency with each edition, as measured against energy consumption by an average building in each applicable building sector in 2003. These amendments must achieve a net zero energy standard for new commercial buildings by 2038 and thereafter.</p>					

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AB 43	CA	Greenhouse gas emissions: building materials: embodied carbon trading system.	Christopher R. Holden	Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.	3/6/2023
This bill would express that it is the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation establishing a Low Carbon Product Standard (LCPS) to facilitate a credit trading platform for building materials and to enact future legislation to require that the LCPS establish a compliance system					

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State Rules & Notices



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State	Pub. Date	Type	Title
WI	3/6/2023	Notice	Commercial Building Code
This rule adopts the 2021 IBC, IECC, IMC, IFGS, and IEBC with amendments for buildings located on research or laboratory farms of public universities or other state institutions and used primarily for housing livestock or other agricultural purposes, and rural school buildings.			