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Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Louisiana	2021 IBC/IEBC Review Committee	7/19/2022	Info
Georgia	Construction Codes Public Hearing	7/19/2022	Info
North Carolina	North Carolina Mechanical Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting	7/19/2022	Info
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board Meeting	7/19/2022	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Hearing	7/19/2022	Info
DC	Construction Codes Coordinating Board	7/19/2022	Info
North Dakota	North Dakota Electrical Board Meeting	7/20/2022	Info
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	7/21/2022	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Fire Prevention and Fire Protection Advisory Committee Meeting	7/21/2022	Info
Idaho	Idaho State Plumbing Board	7/21/2022	Info
DC	DC Construction Codes Coordinating Board Meeting	7/21/2022	Info
Texas	Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners Meeting	7/26/2022	Info
North Carolina	North Carolina Fuel Gas Code Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting	7/26/2022	Info
California	California Energy Commission GFO-21-901 Cost Share for Federal Clean Energy Funding Opportunities	7/27/2022	Info
California	Staff Workshop Heat Pump Goals, Supply Chain, and Programs	7/28/2022	Info
South Dakota	South Dakota State Plumbing Commission Meeting	7/28/2022	Info

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Building

State	Date	Title
Rhode Island	4/13/2023	RI BCS Committee to discuss adoption of the 2023 RI state codes
The Rhode Island Building Code Standards Committee will review, discuss, and potentially vote to authorize the Building Code Commissioner to start the promulgation process for the adoption of the 2023 Rhode Island state codes.		

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State	Date	Title
New York	3/31/2023	NYSFPBCC to discuss energy and uniform code updates
The New York State Fire Protection and Building Code Council will discuss the energy code – specifically, Chapter 374 of the Laws of 2022 – as well as 2024 International Code Council changes to the uniform code.		
Louisiana	4/11/2023	LSUCCC to review changes to 2021 I-codes and 2020 NEC
The Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council's Technical Codes Study and Advisory Committee will conduct a review and discussion of proposed corrections and changes for 2021 I-codes and 2020 NEC amendments.		

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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 L. Hill	Motion Special Order until 4/10 (Senator Augustine) Adopted	4/7/2023
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 92	MD	Department of General Services – Energy–Conserving Standards (Maryland Sustainable Buildings Act of 2023)	Clarence K. Lam	Motion Special Order until 4/10 (Senator Augustine) Adopted	4/7/2023
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HB 1766	AR	HB1766 - TO ABOLISH THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION; TO AMEND THE DUTIES AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE ARKANSAS FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BOARD; TO CREATE THE POSITION OF STATE FIRE MARSHAL; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.	Lee Johnson	Enrolled	4/6/2023
<p>This bill abolishes the State Fire Prevention Commission and transfers its authority, duties, functions, and appropriations to the Arkansas Fire Protection Services Board. It repeals sections of the code outlining the duties and authority of the abolished commission. It also creates the State Fire Marshall position and outlines its roles and responsibilities.</p>					
A 5249 A 5249A	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 J. Hunter	Print Number Assigned	4/6/2023
<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>					

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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 Calendar	4/6/2023
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.					
HB 197	HI	Relating To Climate Change Mitigation.	Nicole E. Lowen	48 Hour Notice	4/6/2023
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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HB 214	AL	Relating to building codes; to amend Section 27-2-39, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide for a portion of fees and taxes collected by the Department of Insurance to the Alabama Residential Building Code Fund; to designate Sections 34-14A-1 through 34-14A-20 as Article 1 of Chapter 14A of Title 34, Code of Alabama 1975; to amend Sections 34-14A-1, 34-14A-2, 34-14A-7, 34-14A-12, 34-14A-20, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide for the establishment of the Alabama Residential Building Code and its authority; to further provide for the practice of residential home building; to further provide for the duties of the Home Builders Licensure Board; to add Article 2, commencing with Section 34-14A-41, to Chapter 14A of Title 34, Code of Alabama 1975, to establish the Alabama Residential Building Code Division within the Home Builders Licensure Board and provide for its duties; to establish the Alabama Residential Building Code Fund in the State Treasury and provide for its administration; to add Artic....	Chip Brown	Assigned to Committee	4/5/2023
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This bill would create the Alabama Residential Building Code Advisory Council to recommend an Alabama Residential Building Code, to be based upon the International Residential Code and the residential chapters of the International Energy Conservation Code, to be adopted by the Home Builders Licensure Board.

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HB 6101	RI	An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code (Requires Adoption Of 2021 International Energy Conservation Code ("Iecc").)	John G. Edwards	Committee to Further Assess	4/5/2023
<p>This act would require the state building code standards committee to adopt the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code provisions no later than September 1, 2023. This act would also require the commission to develop a plan to adopt the 2024 IECC within one year of its publication.</p>					
HB 23-1233	CO	Electric Vehicle Charging And Parking Requirements	Tisha Mauro	House Second Reading	4/3/2023
<p>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.</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 documentation data repository.	Henry I. Stern	Hearing Set	4/3/2023
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.					
AB 43	CA	Greenhouse gas emissions: building materials: embodied carbon trading system.	Christopher R. Holden	Referred to Committee	4/3/2023
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					
SB 48	CA	Water and Energy Savings Act.	Josh Becker	Hearing Set	4/3/2023
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 gasses 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.					