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## Upcoming Code Body Meetings



## Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Hawaii	Hawaii Electrician and Plumber Board Meeting	4/25/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Georgia	Georgia National Electrical Code Task Force Meeting	4/25/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Idaho	Idaho State Electrical Board Meeting	4/26/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Construction Industries Board Meeting	4/26/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Arizona	Arizona Board of Manufactured Housing	4/26/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
South Dakota	South Dakota State Plumbing Commission	4/27/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Florida	Florida Existing Building Working Group	4/27/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Maine	Maine Electricians' Examining Board Meeting	4/28/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	5/5/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	5/9/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Idaho	Idaho Heating, Ventilation & Air Conditioning (HVAC) Board Meeting	5/10/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Florida	Florida Building Commission Meeting	5/10/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>
Florida	Florida Residential Construction Cost Impact Workgroup Meeting	5/10/2023	<a href="#">Info</a>

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### Building

State	Date	Title
Florida	5/10/2023	<a href="#">FBC to conduct rule development workshop for Rule 61G20-1.001</a>
<p>The Florida Building Commission will conduct a rule development workshop for Rule 61G20-1.001 of the Florida Administrative Code. Specifically, this workshop will focus on the Rule as it relates to updating ICC 500 and ICC 600 to the 2020 Editions in the 8th Edition of the Florida Building Code. Some of the important changes in ICC 500-20 include: updated load combinations and the use of defined terms so the language and requirements are clearer; new siting requirements to address storm surge and riverine flooding; new criteria on emergency evacuation; impact testing criteria has been clarified and added new impact criteria for rolling overhead doors; and new appendix has been added addressing operational procedures. Some the important changes in ICC 600-20 include: updated to use the latest version of the AWC WFCM; updates to the prescriptive methods for masonry and concrete buildings; and better alignment with the code regarding criteria for the building envelope (roofing, siding, soffits, windows, doors, etc.).</p>		

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### Misc.

State	Date	Title
Washington	4/21/2023	<a href="#">SBCC to discuss various off-cycle and emergency rules</a>
The Washington State Building Code Council will discuss: (1) ongoing off-cycle rules related to adopting the R-4 Occupancy Group for the 2021 IBC and 2021 IFC, and to modifying the definition and provisions of "CHILD CARE" and "FAMILY HOME" for the IBC and IRC; and (2) emergency and off-cycle rules related to energy storage systems for the 2018 IFC and 2021 IFC.		
Louisiana	4/20/2023	<a href="#">2021 IRC Review Committee to review 2020 IRC amendments for carbon monoxide alarms</a>
Louisiana's 2021 IRC Review Committee will review the 2020 IRC amendments relative to carbon monoxide alarms.		

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## Bills with Recent Activity



## Legislation

Bill #	State	Bill Title	Primary Sponsor	Last Action	Date
<a href="#">HB 433</a> <a href="#">LC 3555</a>	MT	Clarify use of certain refrigerants	Tom Welch	Enrolled	4/23/2023
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.					
<a href="#">SB 5772</a>	WA	Requiring the state building code council to amend the state energy code to comply with the energy policy and conservation act.	Lynda Wilson	Referred to Committee	4/21/2023
This bill directs the state building code council to amend the state energy code for new nonresidential buildings to conform with the energy policy and conservation act as interpreted in the April 17, 2023, published opinion in California Restaurant Association v. City of Berkeley, case no. 21-16278 (9th Cir. 2023).					
<a href="#">HB 23-1233</a>	CO	Electric Vehicle Charging And Parking Requirements	Tisha Mauro	Second Reading	4/21/2023
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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<a href="#">HB 197</a>	HI	Relating To Climate Change Mitigation.	Nicole E. Lowen	Conferees Appointed	4/21/2023
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.					
<a href="#">SB 48</a>	CA	Building Energy Savings Act.	Josh Becker	Set for hearing May 1.	4/21/2023
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.					
<a href="#">SB 406.</a> <a href="#">LC 562</a>	MT	Revise laws related to local building codes	Steve Fitzpatrick	(S) Signed by President	4/20/2023
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.					
<a href="#">HB 785.</a> <a href="#">H 785</a>	NC	Prohibit Fire Sprinkler System Requirement.	Mark Brody	Referred to Committee	4/19/2023
The bill prohibits the building code council from requiring the installation of automatic residential fire sprinkler systems in residential dwellings.					

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<a href="#">SB 795</a>	CA	Energy: building energy efficiency: heating, ventilation, and air conditioning equipment: sale registry and compliance tracking system: compliance documentation data repository.	Henry I. Stern	Referred to Committee	4/19/2023
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.					
<a href="#">HB 2409</a>	TX	Relating to the residential and commercial building codes of municipalities.	Ron Reynolds	Left pending in committee	4/19/2023
The bill amends the local government code providing that a municipality may review and consider amendments made by the ICC to the IRC after May 1, 2021.					
<a href="#">HB 2408</a>	TX	Relating to building codes applicable in the unincorporated areas of a county; authorizing a fee.	Ron Reynolds	Left pending in committee	4/19/2023
This bill amends the building code standards applicable to unincorporated areas of certain counties subchapter, adding that the unincorporated area of a county shall conform to the International Residential Code as it existed on January 1, 2023. Additionally, new commercial construction in the unincorporated area of a county must conform to the International Building Code as it existed on January 1, 2023. The commissioner's court of a county may adopt and apply a version of the International Residential Code or the International Building Code published after January 1, 2023, to new construction or establish standards for new construction that exceed the standards of those codes.					



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<a href="#">AB 43</a>	CA	Greenhouse gas emissions: building materials: embodied carbon trading system.	Christopher R. Holden	Hearing Set	4/19/2023
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					
<a href="#">HB 799.</a> <a href="#">SB 1377</a>	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	Transmitted to Governor for his action.	4/18/2023
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.					