Building Code Alerts - February 3rd, 2025



Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Hawaii	Hawaii State Fire Council	2/3/2025	<u>Info</u>
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	2/5/2025	<u>Info</u>
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board UPC Ad Hoc Rulemaking Committee Meeting	2/5/2025	<u>Info</u>
DC	DC Green Building Advisory Council Meeting	2/5/2025	<u>Info</u>
Georgia	Georgia Department of Community Affairs State Codes Advisory Committee Meeting	2/6/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Commercial Energy Code TAG Meeting	2/7/2025	<u>Info</u>
Louisiana	Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council Meeting	2/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	2/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Commission Meeting	2/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	2/12/2025	<u>Info</u>
Indiana	Indiana Joint Fire and Building Code Update Committee Meeting	2/12/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	2/13/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	2/14/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Energy Code TAG Meeting	2/14/2025	<u>Info</u>
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Unifrom Building Code Commission Meeting	2/18/2025	<u>Info</u>
Oregon	Oregon Building Codes Division Construction Industry Energy Board Meeting	2/18/2025	<u>Info</u>
Indiana	Indiana Electrical Code Update Committee Meeting	2/19/2025	<u>Info</u>
DC	DC Construction Code Coordination Board Regular Meeting 2/20/		<u>Info</u>
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	2/26/2025	<u>Info</u>

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New York	New York State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council Code Development Meeting	2/28/2025	<u>Info</u>
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	2/28/2025	<u>Info</u>
Wisconsin	Wisconsin Plumbing Code Advisory Committee Meeting	2/28/2025	<u>Info</u>

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Energy

State	Date	Title
Washington		Washington Commercial Energy Code TAG Meeting on February 7, 2025, to Review 2024 IECC Proposals and Initiative 2066 Impact

The Washington Commercial Energy Code TAG meeting, scheduled for February 7, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., will review proposals related to replacing the WSEC with the 2024 IECC, as well as discuss amendments to sections such as C401.3, C403.1.4, and C406, in the context of Initiative 2066's impact. The meeting will also address the legal aspects of Initiative 2066, with some proposals potentially carrying over to the next meeting if time runs out.

shington, D.C. 2/5/2025 DC Green Building Advisory Council
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The DC Green Building Advisory Council meeting on February 5, 2025, will include administrative updates, a discussion on the revised design for the Congress Heights Recreation Center under the Greener Government Buildings Act, and a review of upcoming agency programs and legislative priorities by DOEE. The meeting will conclude with roundtable updates from all participants.

Building

State	Date	Title
		Michigan Launches Mobile Home Inspection Team to Improve
Michigan	1/29/2025	Safety and Compliance

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA) has established a mobile home community inspection team to improve living conditions and ensure compliance with state standards. Formed by the Bureau of Construction Codes, the team has been inspecting mobile home parks since August 2024, providing educational resources and fostering partnerships to enhance safety and regulatory understanding.

Misc.

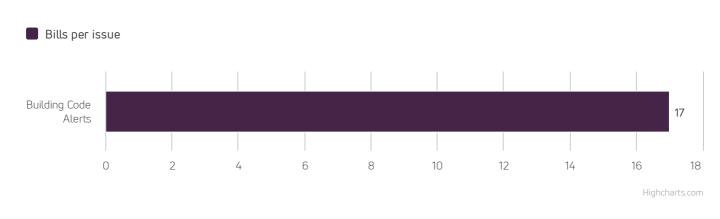
State	Date	Title
		Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission to Meet
		on February 5, 2025, with Rulemaking Updates on Electrical,
Indiana	2/5/2025	Building, Fire Codes, and Lift Devices

The Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission will meet on February 5, 2025. The agenda includes rulemaking updates from four committees: Electrical Code, Building Code, Fire Code, and Lift Device. These updates will cover revisions and ongoing discussions in each area.

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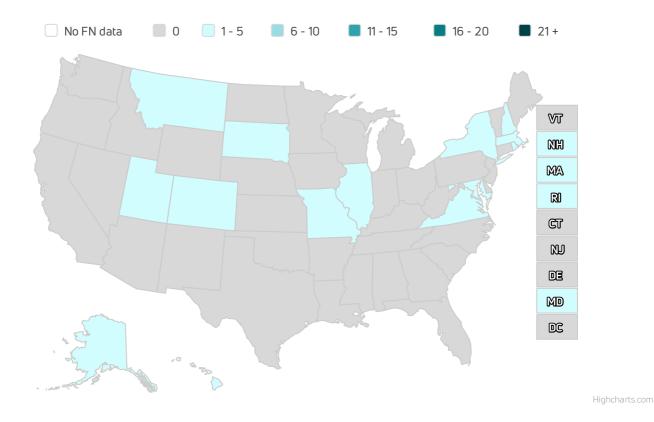


Number of Regulations Per Issue



US Policy Map

You are tracking **0 US-Federal Bills** and **0 US-Federal Regulations**. You're also following state data as detailed below.



Building Code Alerts Bills

17 Bills

AK HB 80

Title: "An Act relating to minimum standards for residential buildings; relating to construction contractors and residential contractor endorsements; establishing the Alaska State Residential Building Safety Council; and providing for an effective date."

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 31, 2025

Last Action Date: (H) -- Invited & Public Testimony --. February 03, 2025

Summary: This bill sets minimum standards for residential buildings in Alaska and requires general contractors to acquire a residential contractor endorsement to work on residential structures. The Alaska State Residential Building Safety Council will oversee compliance with the state residential building code, based on the 2018 International Residential Code. Municipalities may adopt their own codes if needed.

Location: US-AK

MTSB 213

Title: Revise the state building code to allow single stairwells in certain buildings

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 27, 2025

Last Action Date: (S) Hearing: (S) Local Government. February 01, 2025

Summary: This bill revise the state building code to allow single stairwells in certain buildings.

Location: US-MT

UT HB 313

Title: State Construction and Electrical Standards Amendments

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 24, 2025

Last Action Date: House Comm - Not Considered: House Economic Development and Workforce

Services Committee. January 31, 2025

Summary: This bill modifies the State Construction Code in Utah to align with updated standards from the International Residential Code (IRC) and the National Electric Code (NEC). It includes amendments that incorporate the 2021 editions of various construction codes, such as the International Building Code and the International Plumbing Code, as well as the 2023 edition of the NEC.

Location: US-UT

RI HB 5100

Title: An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code -- Administration And Enforcement (Authorizes Municipalities To Make An Emergency Declaration Under Limited Circumstances To Allow For The Construction And Use Of Save Units On A Temporary Basis Which Have Specialized Requirements And Exemptions From The State Fire And Building Codes.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 22, 2025

Last Action Date: Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (02/04/2025). January 31, 2025 **Summary:** This act would authorize municipalities to make an emergency declaration under limited circumstances to allow for the construction and use of SAVE Units on a temporary basis which have specialized requirements and exemptions from the state fire and building codes. This act would also include a provision for reports to be provided to the governor, the speaker of the house and the president of the senate regarding the nature of the emergency and the number of individuals served by SAVE Units.

Location: US-RI

HI HB 745

Title: Relating To Building Codes.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: Bill scheduled for decision making on Wednesday, 02-05-25 9:00AM in conference

room 430 VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.. January 31, 2025

Summary: This bill mandates that beginning January 1, 2028, all existing county building codes will be superseded by the most recent Hawaii state building codes adopted by the state building code council. Counties will retain the ability to amend these state codes within their jurisdictions, but they can only do so by removing requirements or adding new ones with prior approval from the council. The bill also repeals the previous authority of counties to adopt and update the Hawaii state building codes independently.

Location: US-HI

UT HB 175

Title: Housing Construction Amendments

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: House Comm - Favorable Recommendation : House Economic Development and

Workforce Services Committee. January 31, 2025

Summary: This bill modifies the state construction code related to housing in Utah. It amends the International Residential Code (IRC) to include three- and four-family dwellings, expanding the scope of the code.

Location: US-UT

HIHB1

Title: Relating To Building Codes.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 08, 2025

Last Action Date: Bill scheduled for decision making on Wednesday, 02-05-25 9:00AM in conference

room 430 VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE.. January 31, 2025

Summary: This bill amends the responsibilities of the State Building Code Council. The proposed changes include requiring the council to conduct financial analyses of new codes and standards, determining which codes are essential for public safety, and consulting with industry stakeholders to gather insights on construction practices and cost implications. The council will also be tasked with making timely recommendations to county governing bodies regarding the adoption of updated codes, with a two-year timeline for these recommendations.

Location: US-HI

UT HB 48

Title: Wildland Urban Interface Modifications

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: House Comm - Favorable Recommendation : House Business, Labor, and Commerce Committee. January 31, 2025

Summary: This bill defines terms and mandates counties to assess fees for wildland urban interface (WUI) properties, directing the funds to counties or the Wildland-Urban Interface Fund. It requires adoption of WUI building code standards, establishes a program for evaluating high-risk WUI properties, provides for a database accessible to insurers, and includes provisions on insurance, liability, and rulemaking.

Location: US-UT

SDSB98

Title: Update references in certain statutes to the 2024 standard building codes.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 24, 2025

Last Action Date: Referred to S Commerce and Energy S.J. 142. January 30, 2025

Summary: This bill updates references to adopt the 2024 edition of the International Building Code,

the International Property Maintenance Code, and the International Residential Code.

Location: US-SD

VA HB 2577

Title: Uniform Statewide Building Code; unsafe structures.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 12, 2025

Last Action Date: Subcommittee recommends laying on the table (6-Y 2-N). January 30, 2025

Summary: This amendment allows property owners to temporarily overcome an "unsafe structure" designation by securing and vacating the building for up to six months, after which the locality may reissue the unsafe designation if conditions are not improved. If appealed, the local Building Code appeals board may grant more time, but if no appeal is filed or the extension expires, the unsafe designation will resume, and the locality may continue with demolition procedures if necessary.

Location: US-VA

IL HB 1849

Title: Building Codes-Energy **Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: January 28, 2025

Last Action Date: Referred to Rules Committee. January 29, 2025

Summary: This bill amends the Energy Efficient Building Act to update the definition of "Code" to mean the 2021 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code. It makes changes to the definitions of "residential building" and "commercial building," and clarifies the terms used in relation to energy efficiency standards.

Location: US-IL

HI SB 1540

Title: Relating To Building Codes.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 23, 2025

Last Action Date: Re-Referred to PSM, JDC.. January 29, 2025

Summary: This bill requires that beginning January 1, 2028, the most recent Hawaii state building codes adopted by the state building code council will supersede all existing county building codes. The bill establishes that counties may amend these state building codes within their jurisdictions, but they can only do so by removing requirements or adding new ones with prior approval from the council. Additionally, the bill repeals the previous authority of counties to adopt, amend, and update the Hawaii state building codes independently.

Location: US-HI

MO HB 939

Title: BUILDING CODES

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 16, 2025

Last Action Date: Public Hearing Completed (H). January 29, 2025

Summary: This bill prohibits counties or municipalities from enacting or maintaining ordinances, regulations, or policies that require excessive building design and construction practices for one- or two-family homes, condominiums, or multiunit townhouses. It specifically prohibits mandates for sustainable, high-performance, or energy efficiency standards that exceed the 2009 International Residential Code or International Energy Conservation Code. Any such policy enacted in violation would be considered null and void.

Location: US-MO

CO HB 25-1030

Title: Accessibility Standards in Building Codes

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 08, 2025

Last Action Date: House Committee on Transportation, Housing & Local Government Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole. January 29, 2025

Summary: This bill requires a local government that adopts or substantially amends a building code to ensure that the building code meets or exceeds the accessibility standards in international building codes. The bill also requires the state housing board to ensure that, when the recommendations for uniform housing standards and building codes to the general assembly and

local governments are substantially updated, the codes meet or exceed the accessibility standards in international building codes.

Location: US-CO

NH HB 134

Title: relative to the state building code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 06, 2025

Last Action Date: Committee Report: Ought to Pass 01/22/2025 (Vote 13-0; CC) HC 10 P. 3. January

29, 2025

Summary: This bill would update the state electrical code to the 2023 edition of the NEC, and also provides for the implementation of all amendments to state I-codes as of September 13th, 2024.

Location: US-NH

MD SB 256

Title: Environment - Building Energy Performance Standards - Compliance and Reporting

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: October 09, 2024

Last Action Date: Hearing 2/13 at 1:00 p.m.. January 27, 2025

Summary: This bill modifies compliance requirements for Building Energy Performance Standards by expanding the alternative compliance fee to include both greenhouse gas emissions and energy use attributable to a building's failure to meet reduction targets. It also mandates an annual reporting fee to cover administrative costs, ensures the compliance fee is no less than the social cost of greenhouse gases, and directs collected fees to the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund to support energy initiatives.

Location: US-MD

MD HB 49

Title: Environment - Building Energy Performance Standards - Compliance and Reporting

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: October 09, 2024

Last Action Date: Hearing 2/12 at 1:00 p.m.. January 27, 2025

Summary: This bill revises MD's Building Energy Performance Standards by adjusting alternative compliance fees to include energy use exceeding established targets and requiring annual reporting fees to cover administrative costs. The bill mandates the deposit of alternative compliance fees into the Maryland Strategic Energy Investment Fund, supporting energy efficiency initiatives.

Location: US-MD

Building Code Alerts Regulations

780 CMR 51.00

Title: Massachusetts Residential Code

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 51.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Jan 31, 2025

Summary: 780 CMR establishes minimum building requirements to safeguard public safety, health, and general welfare. Required by and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 143, §§ 92 through 100, 780 CMR is necessary to establish minimum building standards to safeguard the public safety, health and general welfare through affordability, structural strength, durability, means of egress, lighting, ventilation, energy conservation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the built environment, and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations. It provides that for cold-formed steel light-frame construction, the wind provisions of 780 CMR 51.00 shall apply in accordance with the limitations of Sections R505, R603 and R804. In regions where wind design is required, the design of building for wind loads. In addition, Energy Efficiency of 780 CMR 51.00: Massachusetts Residential Code shall apply to all matters governing the design and construction of buildings for energy efficiency.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 1.00

Title: Scope And Administration

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 1.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Jan 31, 2025

Summary: This regulation governs the scope and basic administration of the building code.

Location: US-MA

Regulatory Agenda - DIVISION OF BUILDING STANDARDS AND CODES

Type: Notice

Agency: Department of State **Publication Date:** Jan 29, 2025

Summary: This regulation provides notice that the Department of the State is considering amending Part 1203 to update the minimum standards for administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire

Prevention and Building Code (Uniform Code) and State Energy Conservation Construction Code (Energy Code) to correspond with the updated Uniform Code and Energy Code and to comply with section 381 of the Executive Law (Part T of Chapter 57 of the Laws of 2023) to include procedures requiring the documentation of compliance with regulations adopted pursuant to section 1307 of the Public Health Law as a condition to issuance of a certificate of occupancy or certificate of compliance following a periodic fire safety and property maintenance inspection for multiple dwellings. In addition, they are considering amending the Energy Code and/or adding new provisions to the Energy Code to comply with legislative amendments to section 11-103 and section 11-104 of the Energy Law (Section 1 of Part RR of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2023 and Chapter 374 of the Laws of 2022) and to make updates based on the latest versions of the national model code and ASHRAE 90.1.

Location: US-NY