Building Code Alerts - March 3rd, 2025



Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission	3/6/2025	<u>Info</u>
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission Residential Building Technical Code Review Committee Meeting	3/6/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Residential Energy Code TAG Meeting	3/6/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington Commercial Energy Code TAG Meeting	3/7/2025	<u>Info</u>
Hawaii	Hawaii State Fire Council Meeting	3/7/2025	<u>Info</u>
Utah	Utah Fire Prevention Board Meeting	3/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
California	2025 CEC / EPRI Electrification Summit	3/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Commission Hurricane Research Advisory Committee Meeting	3/11/2025	<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Public Hearing	3/20/2025	<u>Info</u>
DC	DC Construction Code Coordination Board Regular Meeting	3/20/2025	<u>Info</u>

Code Alerts

Misc.

State	Date	Title
		Maine Adopts 2021 ICC Codes, 2019 ASHRAE 62.1, 62.2, 90.1 Standards, and ASTM Radon Control Guidelines, Effective April
Maine	4/7/2025	<u>2025</u>

Maine has amended the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC), with enforcement of the updates beginning April 7, 2025, in municipalities that enforce the code. The amendments include adoption of the 2021 editions of the International Residential Code (IRC), International Building Code (IBC), International Existing Building Code (IEBC), International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), and International Mechanical Code (IMC). Additionally, MUBEC will incorporate the 2019 editions of ASHRAE 62.1, 62.2, and 90.1 (without addenda) for ventilation and energy efficiency standards. The update also includes ASTM E-1465-2008, which provides guidelines for radon control in new low-rise residential buildings.

State	Date	Title
Indiana		Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission to Review Code Update Progress

The Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission meeting will include rulemaking updates from committees overseeing revisions to the Electrical Code, Building Code, Fire Code, and Lift Device regulations. Each committee will provide progress reports on their respective code updates.

State	Date	Title
		Idaho Building Code Hearing to Review 2024 Updates on March 24
Idaho	3/24/2025	<u>in Boise</u>

The Idaho Division of Occupational and Professional Licenses will hold a public hearing on March 24, 2025, in Boise to review key changes between the 2018 and 2024 editions of the International Residential Code (IRC), International Building Code (IBC), International Energy Code (IEC), and the 2009 Idaho Accessibility Code. The session will be held in person, with comments submitted to the Idaho Building Code Board during a future meeting. The agenda includes discussions on the 2024 IBC from 8:00–10:00 AM, the 2024 IRC from 10:00 AM–12:00 PM, a recap from 1:00–2:00 PM, and the 2024 IEC from 2:00–3:00 PM.

Energy

State	Date	Title
		Washington State Building Code Council TAG to Finalize Review of
Washington	3/6/2025	2024 Residential Energy Code Draft on March 6

The Washington State Building Code Council's Residential Energy Code Technical Advisory Group (TAG) will meet on March 6, 2025. The agenda includes completion of the review of the integrated draft of the 2024 Washington State Energy Code (Residential).

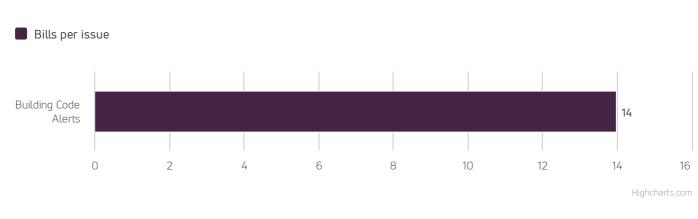
State	Date	Title
		WA Building Code Council Reviews Energy Code Compliance with I-
Washington	3/3/2025	2066, Opens Amendment Submissions

The Washington State Building Code Council is reviewing potential changes to the state's energy codes to ensure compliance with Initiative 2066 while also meeting legal requirements for energy efficiency, cost, and public input. Until any amendments are adopted, the 2021 energy codes will remain in effect. The Council is accepting proposals for amendments related to I-2066 compliance for both the 2021 Washington State Energy Code-Commercial and Residential through April 7, 2025, at 5 p.m.

FiscalNote

Building Codes Legislative and Regulatory Alerts 2025.03.03

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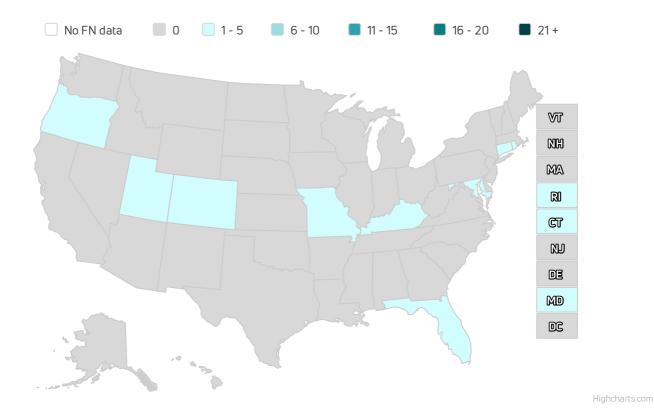


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US Policy Map

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

14 Bills

MD HB 1451

Title: Climate Solutions Affordability Act of 2025

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 07, 2025

Last Action Date: Hearing 3/11 at 1:00 p.m. (Environment and Transportation). March 02, 2025

Summary: This bill, titled the Climate Solutions Affordability Act of 2025, requires the

implementation of certain provisions from the Climate Solutions Now Act to be carried out to the extent economically practicable. Key provisions include mandates for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from buildings, reporting emissions data, achieving zero-emission vehicle goals for the state vehicle fleet and local school buses, and adopting specific construction codes.

Location: US-MD

RI HB 5846

Title: An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code (Establish A Moratorium On Changes To The State Energy Conservation Code From The 2024 International Energy Conservation Code Until January 1, 2030, Unless Approved By The Legislature And Made Effective By The Governor.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 28, 2025

Last Action Date: Introduced, referred to House Environment and Natural Resources. February 28, 2025

Summary: This act would establish a moratorium on changes to the state energy conservation code from the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code until January 1, 2030, unless approved by the legislature and made effective by the governor.

Location: US-RI

CT HB 7119

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION CODE, STATE FIRE SAFETY CODE, STATE BUILDING CODE AND ELEVATOR INSPECTIONS.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 27, 2025

Last Action Date: Public Hearing 03/04. February 28, 2025

Summary: This bill mandates the development of a model ordinance by July 1, 2026, to establish energy-efficiency requirements for buildings that exceed those in the State Building Code. Local governments can adopt this ordinance, which will override the state energy-efficiency standards while maintaining the other provisions of the State Building Code.

Location: US-CT

FLSB838

Title: Florida Building Code **Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 18, 2025

Last Action Date: Referred to Community Affairs; Banking and Insurance; Rules. February 28, 2025 **Summary:** The bill prohibits local governments from adopting lookback ordinances for substantial improvements or repairs more stringent than the Florida Building Code and voids any such ordinances adopted before a specified date.

Location: US-FL

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: Placed on House Calendar (03/04/2025). February 28, 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

CO HB 25-1030

Title: Accessibility Standards in Building Codes

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 08, 2025

Last Action Date: House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass. February

28, 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

CO SB 25-141

Title: Municipal Government Exemption from Energy Code Requirements

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 05, 2025

Last Action Date: Senate Second Reading Laid Over to 03/04/2025 - No Amendments. February 27,

2025

Summary: Under current law, every governing body of a municipality that has adopted and enforced a building code after July 1, 2023, is required to adopt and begin enforcing an energy code for residential buildings. The bill creates an exemption for municipalities with a population of less than 2,500 residents from having to adopt and enforce an energy code for residential buildings.

Location: US-CO

RISB 501

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: February 26, 2025

Last Action Date: Introduced, referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government. February 26,

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

FLHB707

Title: Building Regulation **Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 19, 2025

Last Action Date: Now in Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee. February 26, 2025 Summary: This bill modifies the exemption criteria for continuing education, allows individuals to apply for various self-selectable categories of plan examiner positions, and includes new amendments to eligibility for inspector certifications. It also sets up new specifications for internships under the Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board. It allows property owners (excluding corporations) to apply and sign for building permits either physically or virtually and exempts them from certain requirements.

Location: US-FL

FL HB 695

Title: Private Provider Building Inspection Services

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 18, 2025

Last Action Date: Now in Industries & Professional Activities Subcommittee. February 26, 2025

Summary: The bill revises the membership of the Florida Building Code Administrators & Inspectors

Board and Florida Building Commission and updates provisions related to private provider

inspection services, including responsibilities, fees, permit issuance, authority, documentation, and

creation of a uniform permitting system.

Location: US-FL

KY HB 579

Title: AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Building Code.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 14, 2025

Last Action Date: to Licensing, Occupations, & Administrative Regulations (H). February 25, 2025 Summary: This bill establishes new provisions within the Kentucky Building Code regarding the design and safety requirements for certain residential buildings. It permits buildings with less than six stories of Residential Group R-2 occupancy to be served by a single exit, provided specific conditions are met.

Location: US-KY

MO SB 743

Title: Establishes the "Missouri Building Codes Act"

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 24, 2025

Last Action Date: S First Read. February 24, 2025

Summary: This bill requires the establishment of updated building codes in Missouri, known as the "Missouri Building Codes Act," which will take effect for new state facilities constructed on or after August 28, 2025. The bill repeals the existing section 67.280 and enacts new sections that outline the standards for building construction, inspections, and the creation of a Missouri Building Codes Commission. The new building codes will encompass various aspects of construction, including building, electrical, energy, fire, mechanical, plumbing, and residential codes, and will incorporate model codes from recognized organizations. The Missouri Building Codes Commission will oversee the implementation of these codes, which must be adopted by local authorities by August 28, 2027.

Location: US-MO

UTHB313

Title: State Construction and Electrical Standards Amendments

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 24, 2025

Last Action Date: Senate/ placed on 2nd Reading Calendar. February 24, 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

UT HB 175

Title: Housing Construction Amendments

Current Status: Considering

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: Draft of Enrolled Bill Prepared. February 24, 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

Building Code Alerts Regulations

3 Regulations

918-465-0060

Title: Adopts The 2025 Oregon Commercial Reach Code

Type: Proposed

Citations: 918-465-0060

Agency: Department of Consumer and Business Services

Publication Date: Mar 01, 2025

Summary: This proposed rule would adopt the 2025 Oregon Commercial Reach Code (OCRC), an optional statewide construction standard aimed at improving energy efficiency under the Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code (OEESC), effective April 1, 2025. Local municipalities must permit the use of the OCRC, which can be applied in place of Chapter 13 of the 2025 Oregon Structural Specialty Code.

Location: US-OR

918-480-0010

Title: Amends The Oregon Residential Specialty Code To Include Provisions For Attached Stacked

Two-Family Dwellings

Type: Final

Citations: 918-480-0010

Agencu: Department of Consumer and Business Services

Publication Date: Mar 01, 2025

Summary: This rule allows use of existing paths in the 2023 Oregon Residential Specialty Code Section R302.3 to create a new path addressing stacked two family dwellings being connected to

other stacked two family dwellings.

Location: US-OR

69A-60.003

Title: Standards Of The National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 101, The Life Safety Code®, Florida 2021 Edition, Adopted; Standards Of The National Fire Protection Association, NFPA 1, The Fire Code, Florida 2021 Edition, Adopted

Type: Proposed

Citations: 69A-60.003

Agency: Department of Financial Services

Publication Date: Feb 24, 2025

Summary: This proposed rule aims to develop the 9th Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code. Pursuant to Section 633.202, Florida Statute, the State Fire Marshal is directed to adopt a new edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code every third year and is scheduled to be adopted by rule during the upcoming two years.

Location: US-FL