# Building Code Alerts - March 24th, 2025



# **Upcoming Code Body Meetings**

State Body		Date	Formula
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Public Hearing	3/24/2025	<u>Info</u>
Minnesota	Residential Energy Code Technical Advisory Group Meeting	3/24/2025	<u>Info</u>
Hawaii	Hawaii State Fire Code Council Special Meeting 3/24/202		<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Public Hearing	3/24/2025	<u>Info</u>
Oklahoma	Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission Meeting 3/25/2025		<u>Info</u>
Kentucky	Department of Housing Building and Construction	3/25/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Legislative Committee Meeting	3/25/2025	<u>Info</u>
North Dakota	North Dakota Electrical Board Meeting	3/26/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Plumbing Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	3/28/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington Commercial Energy Code TAG Meeting	3/28/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Commission Product Approval Program Oversight Committee Meeting	3/31/2025	<u>Info</u>
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	4/1/2025	<u>Info</u>
Minnesota	Minnesota UPC Ad Hoc Rulemaking Committee Meeting	4/2/2025	<u>Info</u>
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	4/4/2025	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington Commercial Energy Code TAG Meeting	4/4/2025	<u>Info</u>
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Electricity Meeting	4/8/2025	<u>Info</u>
Oregon	Oregon Energy Advisory Work Group Meeting	4/10/2025	<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	4/15/2025	<u>Info</u>
South Dakota	South Dakota Plumbing Commission Meeting	4/24/2025	<u>Info</u>
Florida	Florida Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board Meeting	4/24/2025	<u>Info</u>

#### **Code Alerts**

#### Misc.

State	Date	Title
		Oklahoma Building Code Commission to Discuss 2024 Pool & Spa Code
Oklahoma	3/25/2025	Adoption, Code Updates, and Formal Interpretation Procedure

The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission will discuss code adoption matters, including the approval of a technical code review committee for the 2024 International Pool and Spa Code, covering both commercial and residential applications. Updates from the Residential Technical Code Review Committees on building, fuel gas, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical codes will also be presented. Additionally, the Commission will consider the approval of a Formal Code Interpretation Procedure, which could impact the implementation and enforcement of building codes statewide.

State	Date	Title
North Carolina		North Carolina Delays 2024 State Building Code Implementation Until After April 2026

The Disaster Recovery Act of 2025, signed into law on March 19, 2025, has delayed the effective date of the 2024 North Carolina State Building Code beyond April 1, 2026, extending a previous postponement from January 1, 2025, to July 1, 2025. As a result, licensing examinations for plumbing, heating, and fire sprinkler contractors will continue using the 2018 editions of the Administration Code & Policies, Plumbing Code, Fuel Gas Code, Mechanical Code, Energy Conservation Code, and Residential Code until the new codes take effect. Additionally, NFPA standards referenced in the 2018 building code, including NFPA 13 (2013 Edition), NFPA 13D (2013 Edition), and NFPA 25 (2011 Edition), will remain in use during this extended transition period.

#### **Energy**

State	Date	Title
		Washington State Building Code Council's TAG to Review Code
Washington	3/28/2025	Change Proposals for Commercial Energy Code on March 28, 2025

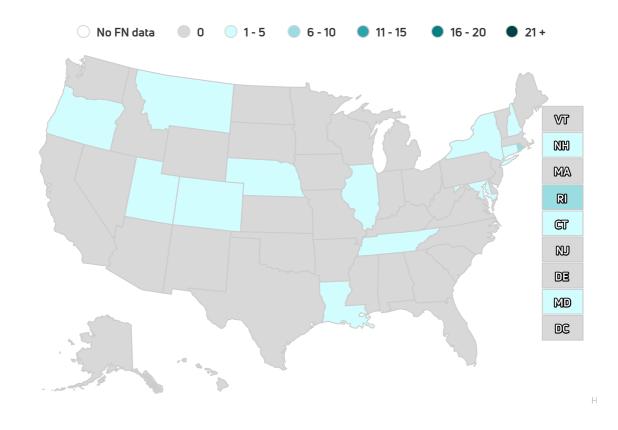
The Washington State Building Code Council's Commercial Energy Code Technical Advisory Group (TAG) will meet on March 28, 2025, to review multiple code change proposals related to Sections C402 and C407 of the Commercial Energy Code. The agenda includes discussions on specific proposals from various stakeholders, with any unfinished items to be carried over to a future meeting.

# **FiscalNote**

# Building Codes Legislative and Regulatory Alerts 2025.03.24

#### **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**

26 Bills

# **LA HB 85**

**Title:** BUILDING CODES: Provides relative to permits for construction

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: March 20, 2025

**Last Action Date:** First appeared in the Interim Calendar on 3/21/2025.. March 21, 2025 **Summary:** Present law provides for the enforcement of building codes by municipalities and parishes. Proposed law retains present law and adds that any municipality or parish which issues a permit for construction pursuant to proposed law shall do all of the following: (1)

Permit and inspect all buildings, other than one- and two-family dwellings, for roof construction and reroofing in compliance with the International Building Code Chapter 15 requirements as adopted and promulgated by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code. (2) Permit and inspect one- and two-family dwellings for roof construction and reroofing in compliance with the International Residential Code Chapter 8 and 9 requirements as adopted and promulgated by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code. (3) Provide, upon request, individual permit data.

Location: US-LA

#### **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: Scheduled for consideration (03/27/2025). March 21, 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

## **RISB350**

**Title:** An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code (Defines A Quorum Of The Building Code Standards Committee Be A Majority Of The Current Board Members And Amends The State Building Code To Require That Sections Provide That Dwelling Units From One To Four (4) Units Use The International Residential Code.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 21, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/27/2025). March 21, 2025 **Summary:** This bill would define a quorum of the building code standards committee to be a majority of the current board members, provide for prompt adoption and enforcement of updated building codes, amend the state building code to require that sections provide that dwelling units from one to four units use the 2024 and subsequent versions of the international residential code and that multiple dwellings with more than four units, hotels and motels use the 2024 and subsequent versions of the commercial international building code, and expand the additional levy on residential permits for one and two family dwellings to three and four unit dwellings. This act would take effect upon passage.

Location: US-RI

#### **RISB 275**

**Title:** An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code -- Rhode Island Inclusive Home Design Act (Establishes A New Article In The State Building Code That Provides That Certain New Housing Construction Contain At Least One Floor That Meets The Requirements For A Type C "Ansi" Standards For Accessible And Usable Buildings And Facilities.)

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 13, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration (03/27/2025). March 21, 2025 **Summary:** This bill amends the state building code to require that covered dwelling units receiving federal, state, or local financial assistance meet ANSI Type C (Visitable) accessibility standards. It applies to newly constructed or substantially rehabilitated single-family homes, townhouses, and ground-floor or elevator-accessible units, ensuring at least one accessible level. The law includes enforcement provisions, a waiver process for undue burden, and penalties for noncompliance, including civil damages and potential loss of financial assistance.

Location: US-RI

## IL SB 2491

**Title:** Stretch Energy Code **Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 07, 2025

Last Action Date: Rule 2-10 Committee Deadline Established As April 4, 2025. March 21,

2025

**Summary:** This bill amends the Energy Efficient Building Act in Illinois to revise the timeline for adopting the Illinois Stretch Energy Code, enhancing energy efficiency in buildings. The Capital Development Board must create and adopt a stretch energy code by December 31, 2026, with specific site energy index targets. Deadlines for subsequent codes have been adjusted for increased efficiency goals by 2032. The code, applicable to projects authorized after July 1, 2024, includes separate components for commercial and residential buildings and emphasizes stakeholder collaboration.

Location: US-IL

# TN SB 1194

**Title:** Codes - As introduced, specifies that the International Energy Conservation Code's requirements for roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance for low-sloped roofs do not

apply in this state. - Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 120.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: February 06, 2025

Last Action Date: Placed on Senate Regular Calendar for 3/24/2025. March 21, 2025

Summary: This bill seeks to exempt low-sloped roofs from the solar reflectance and thermal

emittance requirements of the International Energy Conservation Code.

Location: US-TN

#### IL SB 1179

Title: Energy-Insulation Req In Homes

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 24, 2025

Last Action Date: Rule 2-10 Committee Deadline Established As April 4, 2025. March 21,

2025

**Summary:** This bill amends the Energy Efficient Building Act to provide that the Capital Development Board shall adopt specified provisions into the Illinois Energy Conservation Code concerning insulation in an unvented attic and an unvented enclosed rafter assemblies.

Location: US-IL

## **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:** Considering

Introduction Date: January 22, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Referred to Senate Housing and Municipal Government. March 21, 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

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

**Current Status:** Considering

Introduction Date: January 27, 2025

Last Action Date: (H) Committee Report--Bill Concurred: (H) Local Government. March 21,

2025

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

buildings.

Location: US-MT

#### **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: Committee recommended measure be held for further study. March 20,

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

# **RI HB 5373**

**Title:** An Act Relating To Health And Safety -- State Building Code (Defines A Quorum Of The Building Code Standards Committee Be A Majority Of The Current Board Members And Amends The State Building Code To Require That Sections Provide That Dwelling Units From One To Four (4) Units Use The International Residential Code.)

**Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 07, 2025

Last Action Date: Committee recommended measure be held for further study. March 20,

2025

**Summary:** This bill amends the State Building Code in Rhode Island, establishing a standards committee to oversee the adoption of updated building codes. It requires the incorporation of the 2024 International Residential Code and International Building Code,

along with compliance with the latest National Electrical Code. The bill introduces a permit fee structure to fund electronic permit systems and contractor training.

Location: US-RI

#### **TN HB 801**

**Title:** Codes - As introduced, specifies that the International Energy Conservation Code's requirements for roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance for low-sloped roofs do not apply in this state. - Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 120.

**Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 04, 2025

Last Action Date: H. Placed on Regular Calendar for 3/24/2025. March 20, 2025

**Summary:** This bill amends Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 120, by adding a new subsection to Section 68-120-101. The amendment states that the roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance requirements of the International Energy Conservation Code, published by the International Code Council, will not apply to low-sloped roofs in Tennessee.

Location: US-TN

#### OR SB 862

**Title:** Relating to fire protection; creating new provisions; amending ORS 478.260, 478.270, 478.970, 478.972, 478.980 and 478.982; and repealing ORS 478.940.

**Current Status: Introduced** 

Introduction Date: January 13, 2025

Last Action Date: Second reading.. March 20, 2025

**Summary:** This bill requires the Department of the State Fire Marshal to adopt a base fire prevention code, known as the Oregon Fire Code, and mandates that this code be made publicly available electronically. It also makes amendments to existing laws regarding fire districts, including provisions for rural fire protection districts. The bill allows fire districts to acquire property for establishing fire evacuation routes and to operate emergency medical services in accordance with county plans.

Location: US-OR

# NYS 4852

**Title:** 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

**Current Status: Considering** 

Introduction Date: February 13, 2025

Last Action Date: REFERRED TO GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS, March 19, 2025

**Summary:** This bill mandates the automatic update of New York's Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and the State Energy Conservation Construction Code within 18 months of any revision to specified international codes and standards. It ensures that the state consistently aligns with the latest editions of the International Codes (I-Codes), including building, fire, residential, plumbing, mechanical, fuel gas, and energy conservation codes, as well as the National Electrical Code and ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1. The intent is to maintain regulatory consistency, improve safety, and enhance energy efficiency by integrating the latest industry standards into state building regulations.

Location: US-NY

# IL HB 3510

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

Introduction Date: February 07, 2025

Last Action Date: Placed on Calendar 2nd Reading - Short Debate. March 19, 2025 Summary: This bill establishes the Illinois Stretch Energy Code to enhance energy efficiency standards for buildings in Illinois. Municipalities can adopt the code for more rigorous requirements for residential and commercial buildings, with deadlines for adoption and energy index targets outlined. Collaboration with the Illinois Energy Code Advisory Council ensures stakeholder input. The initiative aims to boost energy efficiency in construction practices across the state.

Location: US-IL

# **UT HB 175**

**Title:** Housing Construction Amendments

**Current Status: Passed** 

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: Governor Signed. March 19, 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

# **UT HB 48**

Title: Wildland Urban Interface Modifications

**Current Status: Passed** 

Introduction Date: January 21, 2025

Last Action Date: Governor Signed. March 19, 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

#### **NH HB 134**

**Title:** relative to the state building code.

**Current Status:** Considering

Introduction Date: January 06, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Hearing: 03/26/2025, Room 103, SH, 09:15 am; SC 14. March 19, 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

#### **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:** Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (LCO). March 18, 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

## CO HB 25-1273

Title: Residential Building Stair Modernization

**Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 19, 2025

Last Action Date: House Committee on Transportation, Housing & Local Government Refer

Amended to House Committee of the Whole. March 18, 2025

**Summary:** This bill requires certain municipalities in Colorado, specifically those with a population of 100,000 or more that are served by an accredited fire protection district or fire

department, to modify their building codes by December 1, 2027. The modification will allow multifamily residential buildings of up to five stories to be served by a single exit, provided they meet specific safety conditions. These conditions include the installation of an automatic sprinkler system, limitations on travel distance to the exit, and various fire protection measures.

Location: US-CO

#### CT SB 1240

Title: AN ACT CONCERNING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CODES AND STANDARDS

COMMITTEE.

**Current Status:** Introduced

Introduction Date: February 05, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Filed with Legislative Commissioners' Office (LCO). March 18, 2025 **Summary:** This bill modifies the membership structure of the Codes and Standards

Committee within the Department of Administrative Services. It reduces the total number of

committee members from twenty-three to twenty, while also adjusting the specific

professional qualifications required for membership.

Location: US-CT

# **NH HB 428**

**Title:** prohibiting municipal amendments to the state building code.

**Current Status: Introduced** 

Introduction Date: January 10, 2025

**Last Action Date:** Minority Committee Report: Inexpedient to Legislate. March 18, 2025 **Summary:** This bill prohibits local legislative bodies from making any amendments to the

state building code. **Location:** US-NH

## **NH HB 96**

**Title:** requiring New Hampshire builders to use the 2021 Energy Building codes or a similar code that achieves equivalent or greater energy savings.

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: December 23, 2024

Last Action Date: Minority Committee Report: Ought to Pass. March 18, 2025

**Summary:** This bill updates the definition of the state building code to include a more recent

version of the international energy conservation code or similar code that achieves

equivalent or greater energy savings.

Location: US-NH

#### **UT HB 313**

Title: Construction Industry Amendments

**Current Status:** Considering

Introduction Date: January 24, 2025

Last Action Date: House/ to Governor. March 17, 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

#### **NE LB 531**

**Title:** LB531 - Provide an exception to the requirement that buildings constructed with state

funds comply with the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code

Current Status: Introduced

Introduction Date: January 22, 2025

Last Action Date: Urban Affairs AM397 filed. March 17, 2025

**Summary:** This bill amends existing Nebraska statutes related to building codes, specifically concerning the requirements for projects funded by the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. It provides an exception to the mandate that buildings constructed with state funds must comply with the 2018 International Energy Conservation Code. Under this legislation, the Department of Economic Development is prohibited from enforcing compliance with this energy code for new construction or rental conversion projects that receive funding from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Location: US-NE

# **MD HB 49**

**Title:** Environment - Building Energy Performance Standards - Alterations

**Current Status:** Considering

Introduction Date: October 09, 2024

**Last Action Date:** Referred Education, Energy, and the Environment. March 17, 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**

3 Regulations

Parts 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229; addition of new Parts 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229; amendment of sections 1264.4(b), (e), 1265.3©, (h), (j), and (k) of Title 19 NYCRR

**Title:** New York State Uniform Fire Prevention And Building Code (Uniform Code)

Type: Proposed

**Citations:** Parts 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229; addition of new Parts 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229; amendment of

sections 1264.4(b), (e), 1265.3©, (h), (j), and (k) of Title 19 NYCRR

**Agency:** Department of State **Publication Date:** Mar 19, 2025

**Summary:** This rulemaking would repeal the current versions of Parts 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226, 1227, 1228, and 1229 of Title 19 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York and add new Parts. The individual Parts pertain to specified portions of the Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

Location: US-NY

# Part 1240; and addition of new Part 1240 to Title 19 NYCRR

**Title:** State Energy Conservation Construction Code (Energy Code)

Type: Proposed

Citations: Part 1240; and addition of new Part 1240 to Title 19 NYCRR

**Agency:** Department of State **Publication Date:** Mar 19, 2025

**Summary:** This rule making would repeal the current version of Part 1240 of Title 19 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York and add a new Part 1240. Part 1240 pertains to the State Energy Conservation Construction Code (the

Energy Code). **Location:** US-NY

# Implementation Of An Exemption From The All-electric Buildings Act, Which Prohibits Certain Use Of Fossilfueled Equipment

Type: Proposed

**Agency:** Public Service Commission **Publication Date:** Mar 19, 2025

Summary: The Public Service Commission is considering a White Paper filed by Department of Public Service Staff on February 27, 2025, proposing a reasonableness standard needed to implement Section 11-104(7)(e) of the Energy Conservation Construction Code (Energy Code) as revised by the All-Electric Buildings Act (Part RR of Chapter 56 of the Laws of 2023). As revised by the All-Electric Buildings Act, the Energy Code will prohibit the installation of fossil-fuel equipment and buildings systems in certain newly constructed structures. These provisions will apply to new buildings seven stories or less, with the exception of commercial or industrial buildings in excess of one hundred thousand square feet in conditioned floor area, effective December 31, 2025, and will apply to all new buildings effective December 31, 2028. Energy Code Section 11-104(7)(e) provides an exemption to the prohibition on fossil-fuel equipment when "electric service cannot be reasonably provided by the grid" and grants the Public Service Commission the authority to "determine reasonableness for the purposes of this exemption."

Location: US-NY