
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds and declares that
2 safeguarding the environment, public health, safety, and general
3 welfare through the establishment of building and construction
4 requirements related to sustainability is necessary.

5 Sustainable building and construction requirements reduce the
6 negative potential impacts and increase the positive potential
7 impacts of the built environment on the natural environment and
8 building occupants.

9 The purpose of this Act is to require the state building
10 code to include code provisions based on the latest edition of
11 the International Green Construction Code and the latest edition
12 of the International Green Construction Code Water Efficiency
13 Provisions.

14 SECTION 2. Section 107-25, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 "[§]107-25[§] **State building code; requirements.** There
17 is established a state building code applicable to all



1 construction in the State of Hawaii. The state building code
2 shall include:

3 (1) The latest edition of the state fire code as adopted
4 by the state fire council;

5 (2) The latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code, as
6 copyrighted and published by the International
7 Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials,
8 including its appendices;

9 (3) The latest edition of the International Building Code,
10 as published by the International Code Council;

11 (4) Hawaii design standards implementing the criteria
12 pursuant to Act 5, Special Session Laws of Hawaii,
13 2005, as applicable to:

14 (A) Emergency shelters built to comply with hurricane
15 resistant criteria, including enhanced hurricane
16 protection areas capable of withstanding a five
17 hundred-year hurricane event as well as other
18 storms and natural hazards; and

19 (B) Essential government facilities requiring
20 continuity of operations; [and]

21 (5) Code provisions based on nationally published codes or
22 standards that include, but are not limited to,



1 residential and hurricane resistive standards for
2 residential construction, fire, elevator, electrical,
3 plumbing, mechanical, flood and tsunami, existing
4 buildings, and energy conservation standards for
5 building design and construction, and onsite sewage
6 disposal[-]; and

7 (6) Code provisions, as deemed appropriate by the state
8 building code council, based on the latest edition of
9 the International Green Construction Code and the
10 latest edition of the International Green Construction
11 Code Water Efficiency Provisions, as published by the
12 International Code Council."

13 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

International Green Construction Code; State Building Code

Description:

Requires the state building code to include code provisions based on the latest edition of the International Green Construction Code and the latest edition of the International Green Construction Code Water Efficiency Provisions. (SD1)

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