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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL TO EXTEND THE TIMEFRAME BETWEEN MODEL CODE UPDATES AND ADOPTION PROCESSES AND TAKE A MORE BALANCED AND DELIBERATIVE APPROACH TO CODE REVISIONS.

1 WHEREAS, the International Code Council plays a vital role
2 in establishing and revising model building codes that impact
3 construction standards worldwide; and
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5 WHEREAS, the current model code adoption schedule imposes
6 stringent timelines that present significant challenges to
7 jurisdictions and industry stakeholders with respect to
8 implementation, compliance, and associated costs; and
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10 WHEREAS, frequent updates to building codes require
11 substantial financial and administrative investments from
12 municipalities, developers, and construction professionals,
13 which increases burdens on entities in both the public and
14 private sectors; and
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16 WHEREAS, the rapid pace of code revisions does not provide
17 sufficient time for comprehensive evaluation, public input, and
18 industry adaptation, which leads to increased costs, project
19 delays, and logistical inefficiencies; and
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21 WHEREAS, extending the timeframe between adoption processes
22 would enable stakeholders to better analyze, budget for, and
23 implement necessary changes, which would lead to improvements in
24 compliance, safety standards, and economic feasibility; and
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26 WHEREAS, the length of time that county planning
27 departments take to review and approve projects is significantly
28 affected by the frequent adoption of new building codes, which
29 leads to extended delays, administrative bottlenecks, and
30 increased costs for developers and homeowners; and
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32 WHEREAS, extending the timeframe between code adoption
33 processes would also encourage more thorough stakeholder



