

FISCAL ESTIMATE
DOA-2048 (R06/99)

ORIGINAL
 CORRECTED

UPDATED
 SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.
Chs. Comm 14, 60-66
Amendment No. if Applicable

Subject

Fire Prevention Code and Wisconsin Commercial Building Code

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation

Increase Existing Appropriation
 Decrease Existing Appropriation
 Create New Appropriation
 Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Revenues

Increase Costs - May be Possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget Yes No
 Decrease Costs

Local: No local government costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
 Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others _____
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Department of Commerce protects public health, safety, and welfare by promulgating comprehensive requirements for design, construction, use and maintenance of public buildings and places of employment. The Department also updates these requirements as necessary to be consistent with nationally recognized standards that are incorporated by reference into the Wisconsin Commercial Building Code (WCBC) and the Wisconsin Fire Prevention Code, specifically, the building code requirements developed by the *International Code Council*® (ICC) and the fire prevention requirements developed by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Currently, the Department adopts by reference the 2000 editions of the ICC suite of building codes - the *International Building Code*® (IBC), the *International Energy Conservation Code*®, (IECC), the *International Mechanical Code*® (IMC) and the *International Fuel Gas Code*® (IFGC) - and makes Wisconsin modifications to these codes within the WCBC. The Department also adopts by reference the 2000 edition of the NFPA fire prevention code, NFPA 1. The Department proposes to adopt the 2006 editions of these ICC and NFPA codes. The majority of the rules as current Wisconsin modifications that are proposed to be repealed are a result of the modifications being addressed under the 2006 editions of these codes. The proposed update of the WCBC would apply to design and construction of new buildings and modifications to existing buildings.

The proposed rules revisions do not increase or decrease the administrative and enforcement aspects of the two codes at either the department level or the local government level.

The proposed rules will not have a significant effect on the private sector.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

No long range fiscal implications are anticipated.

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