



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2013 Senate Bill 617**

**Senate  
Amendment 1**

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2013 Senate Bill 617 relates to the commercial building code. Among other provisions, the bill prohibits local governments from adopting or enforcing standards for commercial buildings that are not in strict conformity with the State Commercial Building Code. The bill includes several exceptions to this prohibition.

Senate Amendment 1 adds an exception to the prohibition on local codes that do not conform to the state code. Whereas most building code provisions apply only to new construction, the amendment allows cities of the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> class to require the owners of existing buildings to install fire suppression systems that comply with the provisions of the State Commercial Building Code, relating to fire suppression systems.

### **Bill History**

On March 10, 2014, the Senate Committee on Government Operations, Public Works, and Telecommunications voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 617 and passage of the bill as amended on votes of Ayes, 7; and Noes, 0.

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