

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
DOA-2048 (R06/99)

ORIGINAL  
 CORRECTED

UPDATED  
 SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.  
Ch. Comm 14-6066  
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**

GDP  FFD  DDC  DDC  SFC  SFC

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 The majority of the rules as current Wisconsin modifications that are proposed to be repealed are a result of the modifications being addressed under the 2006 editions of these codes.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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