

BUILDING ENERGY CODES AUTHORITY / RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS

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Commercial

R.S. 40:1730.45. Adoption of Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code; enforcement; rules

- C. With the exception of state-owned facilities, statewide enforcement of the provisions of this Part shall be the responsibility of the Office of the State Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement and Building Safety.

- D(1). For state-owned facilities, statewide enforcement of the provisions of this Part shall be the responsibility of the Facility Planning and Control Section of the Division of Administration.

R.S. 40:1730.46. Amendments and revisions to the Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code

The Office of the State Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement and Building Safety, in consultation with the Facility Planning and Control Section of the Division of Administration and the Technology Assessment Division of the Department of Natural Resources, shall have the authority to promulgate amendments and revisions for the Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code, pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

R.S. 40:1730.48. Training and technical assistance

- A. Training and technical assistance in the implementation of the Commercial Building Energy Conservation Code shall be the responsibility of the Technology Assessment Division of the Department of Natural Resources.
- B. The Technology Assessment Division of the Department of Natural Resources shall continue training and technical assistance as funding allows.

Residential

R.S. 40:1730.22.C. The primary function of the council (*Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council*) is to review and adopt the state uniform construction code, provide for training and education of code officials, and accept all requests for amendments of the code, except the Louisiana State Plumbing Code [Part XIV (Plumbing) of the State Sanitary Code]. Specifically, the council shall establish the requirements and process for the certification and continuing education of code enforcement officers, code enforcement inspectors, and building officials and determine if any amendments to the state uniform construction code are justified.

R.S. 40:1730.22.C. (*ACT 12 of the first extraordinary session of 2005*) is the first implementation of a statewide residential energy code and goes into effect in January of 2007.