



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 788

LCO No. 2757

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:
(PS)

AN ACT REQUIRING THE STATE BUILDING CODE BE REVISED TO INCORPORATE REVISIONS TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 29-252 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2009*):

4 (a) As used in this subsection, "geotechnical" means any geological
5 condition, such as soil and subsurface soil conditions, which may affect
6 the structural characteristics of a building or structure. The State
7 Building Inspector and the Codes and Standards Committee shall,
8 jointly, with the approval of the Commissioner of Public Safety, adopt
9 and administer a State Building Code based on a nationally recognized
10 model building code for the purpose of regulating the design,
11 construction and use of buildings or structures to be erected and the
12 alteration of buildings or structures already erected and make such
13 amendments thereto as they, from time to time, deem necessary or
14 desirable. Such amendments shall be limited to administrative matters,
15 geotechnical and weather-related portions of said code, amendments
16 to said code necessitated by a provision of the general statutes and any

17 other matter which, based on substantial evidence, necessitates an
18 amendment to said code. The code shall be revised (1) not later than
19 January 1, 2005, and thereafter as deemed necessary to incorporate any
20 subsequent revisions to the code not later than eighteen months
21 following the date of first publication of said subsequent revisions to
22 the code; and (2) not later than January 1, 2009, to incorporate revisions
23 to the National Electrical Code adopted by the National Fire Protection
24 Association, and thereafter as deemed necessary to incorporate any
25 subsequent revisions, but in no event later than one year following the
26 date of first publication of any subsequent revisions to the National
27 Electrical Code. The purpose of said Building Code shall also include,
28 but not be limited to, promoting and ensuring that such buildings and
29 structures are designed and constructed in such a manner as to
30 conserve energy and, wherever practicable, facilitate the use of
31 renewable energy resources. Said Building Code includes any code,
32 rule or regulation incorporated therein by reference.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2009	29-252(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To require the State Building Code to be updated to incorporate revisions to the National Electrical Code, and to require the state to continually adopt such revisions.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]