

By: Wentworth

S.B. No. 1458

Substitute the following for S.B. No. 1458:

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C.S.S.B. No. 1458

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the adoption of a uniform commercial building code for
3 use in municipalities in the state.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 214.211, Local Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Subdivisions (4) and (5) to read as follows:

7 (4) "International Building Code" means the
8 International Building Code promulgated by the International Code
9 Council.

10 (5) "Commercial" means a building for the use or
11 occupation of people for:

12 (A) a public purpose or economic gain; or

13 (B) a residence if the building is a multifamily
14 residence that is not defined as residential by this section.

15 SECTION 2. Section 214.213, Local Government Code, is
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Sec. 214.213. EXCEPTIONS. (a) The International
18 Residential Code and the International Building Code do ~~does~~ not
19 apply to the installation and maintenance of electrical wiring and
20 related components.

21 (b) A municipality is not required to review and consider
22 adoption of amendments to the International Residential Code or the
23 International Building Code regarding electrical provisions.

24 SECTION 3. Section 214.214, Local Government Code, is

1 amended by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (c) to
2 read as follows:

3 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), the [The] National
4 Electrical Code, as it existed on May 1, 2001, is adopted as the
5 municipal [~~residential~~] electrical construction code in this state
6 and applies to all residential and commercial electrical
7 construction applications.

8 (c) The National Electrical Code applies to all commercial
9 buildings in a municipality for which construction begins on or
10 after January 1, 2006, and to any alteration, remodeling,
11 enlargement, or repair of those commercial buildings.

12 SECTION 4. Subchapter G, Chapter 214, Local Government
13 Code, is amended by adding Section 214.216 to read as follows:

14 Sec. 214.216. INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE. (a) To
15 protect the public health, safety, and welfare, the International
16 Building Code, as it existed on May 1, 2003, is adopted as a
17 municipal commercial building code in this state.

18 (b) The International Building Code applies to all
19 commercial buildings in a municipality for which construction
20 begins on or after January 1, 2006, and to any alteration,
21 remodeling, enlargement, or repair of those commercial buildings.

22 (c) A municipality may establish procedures:

23 (1) to adopt local amendments to the International
24 Building Code; and

25 (2) for the administration and enforcement of the
26 International Building Code.

27 (d) A municipality may review and consider amendments made

1 by the International Code Council to the International Building
2 Code after May 1, 2003.

3 SECTION 5. Before January 1, 2006, rules shall be
4 established and other actions taken as necessary by municipalities
5 to implement Section 214.216, Local Government Code, as added by
6 this Act.

7 SECTION 6. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b) of this
8 section, this Act takes effect January 1, 2006.

9 (b) This section and Section 5 of this Act take effect
10 September 1, 2005.