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TO: Honorable David Swinford, Chair, House Committee on State Affairs

FROM: John S. O'Brien, Deputy Director, Legislative Budget Board

IN RE: HB1949 by Corte (Relating to the adoption of a uniform commercial building code for use in the state.), **As Introduced**

No fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.

The bill would require that all municipalities and all counties for the counties' unincorporated areas adopt the International Building Code as it existed on May 1, 2003, as the standard for all commercial buildings in the municipality or the county's unincorporated areas for which construction begins on or after January 1, 2006. The International Building Code would also apply to any alteration, remodeling, enlargement, or repair of those commercial buildings. The municipalities and counties would be authorized to establish procedures for administering and enforcing standards and to adopt amendments to the code as long as those amendments are not less stringent than the code.

Effective September 1, 2005, municipalities and counties would be required, before January 1, 2006, to establish rules and take other necessary actions toward implementing the code standards. Other requirements of the bill would take effect January 1, 2006.

Local Government Impact

No significant fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

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