

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 206

BY REPRESENTATIVE FANNIN

BUILDING CODES: Provides for changes to the La. State Uniform Construction Code

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1730.28(A)(3)(f), relative to building codes; to prohibit the adoption of a  
3 code or regulation requiring sprinklers in one- and two-family dwellings; to prohibit  
4 the adoption of an ordinance requiring sprinklers in one- and two-family dwellings;  
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.28(A)(3)(f) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1730.28. Mandatory adoption of certain nationally recognized codes and standards  
9 as the state uniform construction code; adoption by reference

10 A. Except as provided in Subsection C of this Section, the council shall  
11 evaluate, adopt, and amend only the latest editions of the following as the state  
12 uniform construction code:

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14 (3)

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16 (f) The council shall not adopt or enforce any part of the International  
17 Residential Code or any other code or regulation that requires a fire protection  
18 sprinkler system in one- or two-family dwellings. Further, no municipality or parish  
19 shall adopt or enforce an ordinance or other regulation requiring a fire protection  
20 sprinkler system in one- or two-family dwellings.

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1           Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
5 effective on the day following such approval.

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#### DIGEST

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HB No. 206

**Abstract:** Prohibits the adoption or enforcement of any building code, local ordinance, or other regulation that requires a fire protection sprinkler system in one- or two-family dwellings.

Proposed law prohibits the La. State Uniform Construction Code Council from adopting or enforcing any part of the International Residential Code or any other code or regulation that requires a fire protection sprinkler system in one- or two-family dwellings.

Proposed law further prohibits a municipality or parish from adopting or enforcing an ordinance or other regulation requiring a fire protection sprinkler system in one- or two-family dwellings.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:1730.28(A)(3)(f))