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ENERGY CODE ENFORCEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

State Fire Marshal's Office
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The State Fire Marshal's Office will implement enforcement of adopted energy codes for new building project submissions on Friday, July 1, 2011. The energy codes adopted are:

1. All buildings other than state buildings: The 2006 edition of the *International Energy Conservation Code*
2. State buildings: *ASHRAE Standard 90.1, 2007*

Plans submissions received in our office on or after July 1, 2011 must be designed to the applicable energy code. Enforcement will be determined through submission of compliance certificates provided by building designers. The certificates can be generated through the use of free COMCHECK (commercial buildings) and RESCHECK (residential buildings) software that can be found at <http://www.energycodes.gov/comcheck/>, and <http://www.energycodes.gov/rescheck/>. Performance based methods, such as the simulated performance alternative allowed by adopted codes may also be used. Those sites have a wealth of information and training guides for use of the software.

For commercial buildings, the following compliance certificates must be submitted: envelope, interior lighting, exterior lighting and mechanical.

Residential buildings require a single compliance certificate.

Building designers must affix their seal to the certificate(s).