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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the Florida Building Code; amending
3 s. 553.73, F.S.; providing that amendments and
4 modifications adopted into the Florida Building Code
5 related to certain water conservation practices are
6 carried over into new editions of the code; providing
7 an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Paragraph (g) of subsection (7) of section
12 553.73, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 553.73 Florida Building Code.—

14 (7)

15 (g) Amendments or modifications to the foundation code
16 pursuant to this subsection shall remain effective only until
17 the effective date of a new edition of the Florida Building Code
18 every third year.

19 1. Amendments or modifications related to state agency
20 regulations which are adopted and integrated into an edition of
21 the Florida Building Code shall be carried forward into the next
22 edition of the code, subject to modification as provided in this
23 part.

24 2. Amendments or modifications related to the wind-
25 resistance design of buildings and structures within the high-
26 velocity hurricane zone of Miami-Dade and Broward Counties which

27 are adopted to an edition of the Florida Building Code do not
28 expire and shall be carried forward into the next edition of the
29 code, subject to review or modification as provided in this
30 part.

31 3. Amendments or modifications related to local government
32 water conservation practices or design criteria which are
33 adopted into an edition of the Florida Building Code do not
34 expire and shall be carried forward into the next edition of the
35 code, subject to review or modification as provided in this
36 part.

37 (h) If amendments that expire pursuant to ~~this~~ paragraph
38 (g) are resubmitted through the Florida Building Commission code
39 adoption process, the amendments must specifically address
40 whether:

41 1. The provisions contained in the proposed amendment are
42 addressed in the applicable international code.

43 2. The amendment demonstrates by evidence or data that the
44 geographical jurisdiction of Florida exhibits a need to
45 strengthen the foundation code beyond the needs or regional
46 variations addressed by the foundation code, and why the
47 proposed amendment applies to this state.

48 3. The proposed amendment was submitted or attempted to be
49 included in the foundation codes to avoid resubmission to the
50 Florida Building Code amendment process.

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52 If the proposed amendment has been addressed in the

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53 | international code in a substantially equivalent manner, the
54 | Florida Building Commission may not include the proposed
55 | amendment in the foundation code.

56 | Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.