

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 2425

By: May of the House

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4 Stephens of the Senate

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8 An Act relating to professions and occupations;
9 amending 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1000.24, which relates
10 to the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission;
11 requiring amendments to code be sent to Commission
12 for consideration; and providing an effective date.

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15 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2021, Section 1000.24, is
17 amended to read as follows:

18 Section 1000.24 A. 1. Beginning July 1, 2009, pursuant to and
19 in compliance with Article I of the Administrative Procedures Act,
20 the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission shall have the power
21 to adopt, amend, repeal and promulgate rules as may be necessary to
22 perform the duties required under the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code
23 Commission Act. Rules authorized under this section shall not
24 become effective prior to October 1, 2009.

1 2. Beginning October 1, 2009, the Commission shall have the
2 power to enforce the provisions of the Oklahoma Uniform Building
3 Code Commission Act.

4 3. Any codes adopted by state agencies, municipalities or other
5 political subdivisions of the state prior to uniform codes being
6 adopted by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission, pursuant
7 to the provisions of, or rules promulgated pursuant to, the Oklahoma
8 Uniform Building Code Commission Act, shall be considered valid and
9 in effect until uniform codes are adopted by the Oklahoma Uniform
10 Building Code Commission.

11 B. The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission shall have the
12 following powers:

13 1. Exercise all incidental powers and duties which are
14 necessary to effectuate the provisions of the Oklahoma Uniform
15 Building Code Commission Act;

16 2. Adopt and have an official seal;

17 3. Maintain an administrative staff, including, but not limited
18 to, an Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission Chief Executive
19 Officer;

20 4. Direct such other expenditures as may be necessary in the
21 performance of its duties, including, but not limited to,
22 expenditures for office space, equipment, furnishings and contracts
23 for services. All expenditures shall be made pursuant to the
24 Oklahoma Central Purchasing Act;

1 5. Appoint technical committees to review and recommend for
2 adoption all building codes. The technical committees shall review
3 and recommend building codes with any amendments for adoption by the
4 Commission; and

5 6. Create a website listing all building codes adopted by the
6 Commission. The website shall provide a method for listing all
7 codes adopted by a state agency, city or any other political
8 subdivision of the state containing higher standards and
9 requirements than the codes adopted pursuant to the Oklahoma Uniform
10 Building Code Commission Act as required in Section 14-107 of Title
11 11 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

12 C. After October 1, 2009, the Commission shall account for all
13 receipts and expenditures of the monies of the Commission, including
14 annually preparing and publishing a statement of receipts and
15 expenditures of the Commission for each fiscal year. The
16 Commission's annual statement of receipts and expenditures shall be
17 audited by the State Auditor and Inspector or an independent
18 accounting firm, and the audit report shall be certified to the
19 Governor of this state to be true and correct, under oath, by the
20 chair and vice-chair of the Commission.

21 D. Any amendments or modifications to the currently adopted
22 state codes shall be forwarded to the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code
23 Commission for consideration.

24 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

1 Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of March, 2023.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

5 Passed the Senate the ____ day of _____, 2023.

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