

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2079 Session of 2021

INTRODUCED BY DELOZIER, JAMES AND MILLARD, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MAY 23, 2022

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of November 10, 1999 (P.L.491, No.45), entitled
2 "An act establishing a uniform construction code; imposing
3 powers and duties on municipalities and the Department of
4 Labor and Industry; providing for enforcement; imposing
5 penalties; and making repeals," in exemptions, applicability
6 and penalties, further providing for exemptions.

7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8 hereby enacts as follows:

9 Section 1. Section 901 of the act of November 10, 1999
10 (P.L.491, No.45), known as the Pennsylvania Construction Code
11 Act, is amended by adding a subsection to read:

12 Section 901. Exemptions.

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14 (j) ~~Refrigerants.--A provision under this act that prohibits <--~~
15 ~~the use of refrigerants listed as acceptable under section 612-~~
16 ~~of the Clean Air Act (69 Stat. 322, 42 U.S.C. § 7671k), is~~
17 ~~excluded from the Uniform Construction Code if the equipment is~~
18 ~~listed and installed in accordance with the use conditions~~
19 ~~imposed under section 612 of the Clean Air Act.~~

20 (1) ~~IF A PROVISION OF THE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE OR <--~~

1 RELATED TECHNICAL STANDARDS PROHIBIT THE USE OF A REFRIGERANT  
2 THAT IS AUTHORIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 612 OF THE  
3 CLEAN AIR ACT (69 STAT. 322, 42 U.S.C. § 7671K), THE  
4 REFRIGERANT MAY BE USED IF:

5 (I) THE REFRIGERANT IS PERMITTED FOR THE APPLICABLE  
6 USE CONDITIONS BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL  
7 PROTECTION AGENCY; AND

8 (II) THE EQUIPMENT CONTAINING THE REFRIGERANT IS  
9 LISTED AND INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE  
10 USE CONDITIONS IMPOSED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 612 OF  
11 THE CLEAN AIR ACT.

12 (2) THIS SUBSECTION SHALL EXPIRE UPON THE EFFECTIVE DATE  
13 OF THE FINAL-OMITTED REGULATION PROMULGATED BY THE DEPARTMENT  
14 UNDER SECTION 304(A) (1) TO ADOPT THE COUNCIL'S REPORT  
15 FOLLOWING ITS REVIEW OF THE 2024 MODEL CODES DEVELOPED BY THE  
16 INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL.

17 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.