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2015 SENATE BILL 86

March 27, 2015 - Introduced by Senators ROTH, FARROW, NASS and LEMAHIEU, cosponsored by Representatives KULP, ALLEN, JAGLER, STEFFEN, EDMING, MURTHA, A. OTT, VORPAGEL, KAHL, TITTL and QUINN. Referred to Committee on Insurance, Housing, and Trade.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 15.407 (10) (title), 15.407 (10) (a) (intro.), 15.407 (18) (title),
2 15.407 (18) (a) (intro.), 101.023, 101.62 (title), 101.62 (1), 101.62 (2), 101.62 (3),
3 101.62 (4), 101.63 (10), 101.64 (3), 101.72 and 101.74 (3) of the statutes;
4 **relating to:** renaming the Dwelling Code Council the Uniform Dwelling Code
5 Council and renaming the Building Code Council the Commercial Building
6 Code Council.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Dwelling Code Council in the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) recommends a uniform dwelling code for adoption by DSPS and makes other recommendations to DSPS concerning the regulation of one- and two-family dwellings. This bill renames that council the Uniform Dwelling Code Council.

Also under current law, the Building Code Council in DSPS advises DSPS about the rules of DSPS and other issues related to the construction, repair, and maintenance of public buildings and buildings that are places of employment. This bill renames that council the Commercial Building Code Council.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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1 **SECTION 1.** 15.407 (10) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 15.407 (10) (title) ~~DWELLING~~ UNIFORM DWELLING CODE COUNCIL.

3 **SECTION 2.** 15.407 (10) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 15.407 (10) (a) (intro.) There is created in the department of safety and
5 professional services, a uniform dwelling code council, consisting of 11 members
6 appointed for staggered 2-year terms. Each member shall represent at least one of
7 the following groups:

8 **SECTION 3.** 15.407 (18) (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 15.407 (18) (title) ~~BUILDING~~ COMMERCIAL BUILDING CODE COUNCIL.

10 **SECTION 4.** 15.407 (18) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 15.407 (18) (a) (intro.) There is created in the department of safety and
12 professional services a commercial building code council consisting of the following
13 members appointed for 3-year terms:

14 **SECTION 5.** 101.023 of the statutes is amended to read:

15 **101.023 Building Commercial building code council duties.** The
16 uniform commercial building code council shall review the rules relating to
17 constructing, altering, adding to, repairing, and maintaining public buildings and
18 buildings that are places of employment. The council shall consider and make
19 recommendations to the department pertaining to these rules and any other matters
20 related to constructing, altering, adding to, repairing, and maintaining public
21 buildings and buildings that are places of employment. In preparing rules under this
22 chapter that relate to public buildings and to buildings that are places of
23 employment, the department shall consult with the commercial building code
24 council.

25 **SECTION 6.** 101.62 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 **101.62** (title) ~~Dwelling~~ Uniform dwelling code council; power.

2 **SECTION 7.** 101.62 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

3 101.62 (1) The uniform dwelling code council shall review the standards and
4 rules for one- and 2-family dwelling construction and recommend a uniform
5 dwelling code for adoption by the department which shall include rules providing for
6 the conservation of energy in the construction and maintenance of dwellings and for
7 costs of specific code provisions to home buyers to be related to the benefits derived
8 from such provisions.

9 **SECTION 8.** 101.62 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 101.62 (2) The uniform dwelling code council shall study the need for and
11 availability of one- and 2-family dwellings that are accessible to persons with
12 disabilities, as defined in s. 106.50 (1m) (g), and shall make recommendations to the
13 department for any changes to the uniform dwelling code that may be needed to
14 ensure an adequate supply of one- and 2-family dwellings.

15 **SECTION 9.** 101.62 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 101.62 (3) The uniform dwelling code council shall consider and make
17 recommendations to the department pertaining to rules and any other matters
18 related to this subchapter. The uniform dwelling code council shall recommend
19 variances for different climate and soil conditions throughout the state.

20 **SECTION 10.** 101.62 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 101.62 (4) The uniform dwelling code council shall prepare a report that
22 consists of the review required under sub. (1) and the recommendations required
23 under sub. (3) once every 6 years. The council shall complete the first report no later
24 than July 7, 2014.

25 **SECTION 11.** 101.63 (10) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 101.63 (10) Assist the uniform dwelling code council in preparing the report
2 as required under s. 101.62 (4).

3 **SECTION 12.** 101.64 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 101.64 (3) Revise the rules under this subchapter after consultation with the
5 uniform dwelling code council or with the contractor certification council, as
6 appropriate.

7 **SECTION 13.** 101.72 of the statutes is amended to read:

8 **101.72 Dwelling Uniform dwelling code council.** The uniform dwelling
9 code council shall review the standards and rules for modular homes for dwellings
10 and recommend a statewide modular home code for adoption by the department
11 which shall include rules providing for the conservation of energy in the construction
12 and maintenance of dwellings. Such rules shall take into account the costs to home
13 buyers of specific code provisions in relation to the benefits derived therefrom. Upon
14 its own initiative or at the request of the department, the council shall consider and
15 make recommendations to the department pertaining to rules and any other matters
16 related to this subchapter.

17 **SECTION 14.** 101.74 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 101.74 (3) Revise the rules under this subchapter after consultation with the
19 uniform dwelling code council.

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