

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND INFORMATION/
OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HOSPITAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT
REGARDING THE 2025 CALIFORNIA EXISTING BUILDING CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 10
(OSHPD 06/24)**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires that an Initial Statement of Reasons be available to the public upon request when rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following information required by the APA pertains to this particular rulemaking action:

STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE, PROBLEM, RATIONALE and BENEFITS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(1) requires a statement of specific purpose of each adoption, amendment, or repeal and the problem the agency intends to address and the rationale for the determination by the agency that each adoption, amendment, or repeal is reasonably necessary to carry out the purpose and address the problem for which it is proposed. The statement shall enumerate the benefits anticipated from the regulatory action, including the benefits or goals provided in the authorizing statute.

The Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD) proposes to adopt the 2024 edition of the International Existing Building Code (2024 IEBC, also referred to as the model code) of International Code Council for codification and effectiveness as the 2025 California Existing Building Code (2025 CEBC) with California specific amendments pursuant to OSHPD's statutory mandate.

All existing OSHPD amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code (2022 CEBC), that are not amended in the express terms, are carried forward without any change.

**ITEM 1
CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION
DIVISION I CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATION**

Adopt the 2025 California Existing Building Code Chapter 1 Division I, for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 3, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

Section 1.1.1 – 2024 International Existing Building Code is referred as the basis for the 2025 California Existing Building Code to satisfy statutory mandate for adopting latest model code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, editorial amendments were made to add the Department of Health Care Access and Information to the title.

Section 1.10.1 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Clarified that OSHPD will enforce energy regulations by the California Energy Commission.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, editorial amendments were made to add the Department of Health Care Access and Information to Enforcing agency.

Section 1.10.1.1 – Clarified that administrative provisions of the California Existing Building Code are adopted by OSHPD.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matrix adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

Section 1.10.1.2 – Clarified which chapters are adopted for OSHPD 1.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10.1.4 – Clarified that reference to non “A” chapters of California Existing Building Code (CEBC) in any part of the California Building Standards Code (CBSC) shall imply reference to the corresponding “A” chapters in the CEBC, when applicable.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, OSHPD removed the CBSC acronym.

Section 1.10.2 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Clarified that OSHPD will enforce energy regulations by the California Energy Commission.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, editorial amendments were made to add the Department of Health Care Access and Information to Enforcing agency.

Section 1.10.2.1 – Clarified that administrative provisions of the California Existing Building Code are adopted by OSHPD.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matric adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

Section 1.10.2.2 – Clarified which chapters are adopted for OSHPD 2.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10.3.1 – Clarified that administrative provisions of the California Existing Building Code are adopted by OSHPD.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matric adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

Section 1.10.3.2 – Clarified which chapters are adopted for OSHPD 3.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10.4 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Clarified that OSHPD will enforce energy regulations by the California Energy Commission.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, editorial amendments were made to add the Department of Health Care Access and Information to Enforcing agency.

Section 1.10.4.1 – Clarified that administrative provisions of the California Existing Building Code are adopted by OSHPD.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matrix adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

Section 1.10.4.2 – Clarified which chapters are adopted for OSHPD 4.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10.5 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Clarified that OSHPD will enforce energy regulations by the California Energy Commission.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Disagree. After the CAC, editorial amendments were made to add the Department of Health Care Access and Information to Enforcing agency.

Section 1.10.5.1 – Clarified that administrative provisions of the California Existing Building Code are adopted by OSHPD.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matrix adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

Section 1.10.5.2 – Clarified which chapters are adopted for OSHPD 5 and correct Part 2 to Part 10.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 1.10.6 – Section added to align requirements with statutory change in Health and Safety Code Section 1250.3.

CAC Recommendation:

Further Study Required. Based on criteria 1, the CAC recommends removing the reference “as indicated in the adoption matrix” as the matrix adoption tables are non-regulatory.

Agency Response:

Accept. HCAI amended the language per the CAC’s recommendation.

ITEM 2

CHAPTER 1

DIVISION II SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 1, Sections 102.1 through 102.5 and 104.1 through 404.9 for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4, and 5. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

Section 107.1 – Clarified that only one extension is permitted for temporary uses of equipment and systems.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 3

CHAPTER 2 DEFINITIONS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 2 for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

Section 201.1 – Amendments in existing Section 201.1 is moved to Section 201.3 for proper grouping. No material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 201.3 – Amendments in existing Section 201.1 is moved to this section for proper grouping. Editorial changes are intended to comply with statutory requirements for use of plain language. No material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 202 – Applicability of definitions for various OSHPD building types are revised to align with their use, no material change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 4

CHAPTER 3 PROVISIONS FOR ALL COMPLIANCE METHODS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 3 for OSHPD 3 and 6. Adopt only Sections 301.1 through 301.3.1, 301.1 Exception 5, 301.3, 301.3.1 Exception, 302, 304 through 305 for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5. OSHPD does not adopt Section 306. Adopt Sections 310 through 311 for OSHPD 1R, 2, and 5. Adopt Section 312 for OSHPD 1R. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

Section 301.1 – Clarified that Section 301.4 is not permitted by OSHPD. Editorial change in Exception # 5 to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 301.3.1 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304.3.3 – Provisions for incidental and minor alteration are added pursuant to statutory mandate.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 310 & 311 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 312.1 - Editorial change in Section 312.1 reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Minor editorial changes are for clarification only, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 312.3.1 – Permitting Chemical dependency recovery services is added pursuant to statutory mandate contained in Health and Safety Code Section 1250.3(f).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 312.3.2, 312.3.3 and 312.3.5 – Editorial changes are intended to satisfy statutory mandate for use of plain language.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 312.3.6 – New section recognizing that chemical dependency recovery services may be provided in a building that has been removed from general acute care pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 1250.3(f).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 5

CHAPTER 3A PROVISIONS FOR ALL COMPLIANCE METHODS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 3 as Chapter 3A of the 2025 CEBC for OSHPD 1. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code with the following modifications.

Section 301A.1 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHDP).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 301A.11 – Redundant pointer to an incorrect section is deleted. Hospital buildings removed from the general acute care services are outside the scope of this chapter.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 302A.3.1 – Reference is corrected to point to the California Building Code for seismic coefficients since they are not provided in the California Existing Building Code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.1.1 – Deleted comma for proper continuity of the sentence. No material change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.4 – Section is revised to permit use of ASCE 41-23 for all OSHDP 1 buildings. SPC-2 and SPC-4D buildings are also permitted to use legacy ASCE 41-13 standard. Reference is corrected to point to the California Building Code for non-seismic loads since they are not provided in the California Existing Building Code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.4.1 – Section references are updated for consistency with ASCE 41-23.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.4.2 – Section is revised to permit continued use of ASCE 41-13 for SPC-2 buildings. Incorrect collapse prevention building performance state is corrected to (S-5).

CAC Recommendation:

Further study required. Based on criteria 6, the CAC suggests wordsmithing and to consider adding ASCE 41-13 at the beginning of the sentence.

Agency Response:

Disagree. This section is for incidental and minor alterations and additions. Revising the sentence to perhaps say “Use of ASCE 41-13 is permitted for ... “ at the beginning of the sentence for this section only, while it may be accurate, creates inconsistencies with the other subsection headers within this section.

Section 304A.3.4.3 – Section references are updated for consistency with ASCE 41-23.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.4.4 – Section is revised to permit continued use of ASCE 41-13 for SPC-2 buildings.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.4.5 – Section is revised to clarify that ASCE 41-13 requirements apply for SPC-4D upgrades.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 304A.3.4.6 & 304A.3.4.8 – Pointers to ASCE 41 sections are revised for consistency with ASCE 41-23.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 304A.3.4.7 – Clarified that ASCE 41-23 is adopted in this section.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.5 – Section is revised to clarify that ASCE 41-13 is only permitted for evaluations and retrofits of SPC-2 and SPC-4D retrofits and evaluations. Section number is adjusted to make room for new Section 304A.3.5.4.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.5.1 through Section 304A.3.5.3 – Clarified that the modifications to the reference standard, refers to ASCE 41-13. No other change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.5.4 – New amendment to clarify that ASCE 41-13 Equation 7-6 can be used to satisfy the adequacy of hold-downs in single-story light frame construction when adequate resistance is provided by gravity. When gravity loads cannot resist the reduced overturning demands, acceptance criteria for force controlled or deformation controlled actions apply without the overturning reduction factor in Equation 7-6.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.5.5 through Section 304A.3.5.17 – Clarified that the modifications to the reference standard, refers to ASCE 41-13. No other change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6 – This is a new section added by duplicating relevant existing regulations in section 304A.3.5 and modifying them slightly to address these amendments are for ASCE 41-23. All OSHPD 1 buildings will be required to comply with ASCE 41-23, expect that SPC-2 and SPC-4D buildings are permitted to use ASCE 41-13.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.1 – Section number is revised to align with ASCE 41-23, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.2 – Existing amendment for data collection requirements is retained. No material change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.3– Clarified that ASCE 41-23 Equation 7-6 can be used to satisfy the adequacy of hold-downs in single-story light frame construction similar to amendment in Section 304A.3.5.4.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.4 – Existing amendment for drift limit is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.5 – Existing amendment for expected material properties is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.6 – Existing amendment for limiting the reduction in base shear when soil structure interaction is used is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.7 – Existing amendment for seismic increment of earth pressure is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.8 – Existing amendment not permitting unreinforced masonry construction is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 304A.3.6.9 – Existing amendment not permitting special procedures and Tier 1 checklist procedures is retained, no material change intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 310A.1.1.1.5 – Editorial change intended to satisfy statutory mandate on use of plain language.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 311A.1.1.1.1, 311A.1.1.1.2 and 311A.1.1.1.3 – Code references are corrected to point to new building provisions in the California Building Code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 6 CHAPTER 4 REPAIRS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 4 for OSHPD 3 and 6. Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 4 for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications. Section 406 not adopted for 1R, 2, 4 and 5.

Section 401.1 – Editorial change intended to satisfy statutory mandate on use of plain language.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 7 CHAPTER 4A REPAIRS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 4 as Chapter 4A of the 2025 CEBC for OSHPD 1. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code with the following modifications.

Section 401A.1 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Sections 401A.3, 405A.1, 405A.2.1, 405A.2.3, 405A.2.3.1, 405A.2.3.3 & 405A.2.4 – OSHPD amendments to these sections are picked-up by the model code, hence OSHPD amendments are deleted. In Section 405A.2.3.3, lower limit for seismic load is reduced to 75% of new building design earthquake forces for consistency with ASCE 41 requirements that follows.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 405A.2.4.1 and Section 405A.2.6 – Language is revised to align with model code. Existing amendments are repealed.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 407A.2 – HCAI does not adopt (or print) 407.2 for the A chapter. Carry forward this non adoption from the 2022 California Existing Building Code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 408A.2 – HCAI does not adopt (or print) the exception in 408.2 for the A chapter. Blowout-design water closets are rarely used in OSHPD 1 building types. HCAI can make an exception through and alternate method of compliance if necessary.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 8

CHAPTER 5 PRESCRIPTIVE COMPLIANCE METHOD

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 5 for OSHPD 3 and 6. Adopt only Sections 501, 502, 503, 504, 505 and 506 for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

Section 502.1 – Limitation of structural requirements to Sections 502.2 through 502.3 is removed since it conflicts with other sections (e. g. Section 502.1.2).

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 9

CHAPTER 5A PRESCRIPTIVE COMPLIANCE METHOD

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 5 as Chapter 5A of the 2025 CEBC for OSHPD 1. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code with the following modifications.

Section 501A.1 – Editorial change to reflect change in organization name to the Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD). Reference to historic buildings and structures are deleted since there are no general acute care hospitals classified as historical buildings under OSHPD jurisdiction.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 501A.1.1 – Section reference is corrected to Section 301A.3 (from Section 301.3) for proper reference to sections applicable to OSHPD 1 buildings.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 501A.3.1 – Revised references in exception to correct years they are associated with.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.1 – References to Sections 502.2 through 502.3 are deleted since they conflict with other sections.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.1.1 and Section 502A.1.2 – Revised section numbers to point to the “A” Chapters. No other change is intended.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.2 and Existing Section 502A.3 – Amendments in existing Section 502A.3 are retained in new Section 502A.2. Existing Section 502A.3 is deleted since it is picked up by model code in Section 502.2. Exception for Group R is deleted since no OSHPD 1 buildings are assigned to Group R.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.3 and Existing Section 502A.4 – Amendments in existing Section 502A.4 is deleted since it is picked up by model code in Section 502.3. Exception for Group R is deleted since no OSHPD 1 buildings are assigned to Group R.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.4 (formerly Section 502A.5) – Section 502A.4 is updated with existing amendments in Section 502A.5 to align with new format in IEBC 2024.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502A.4.1 – Section is deleted because it is a duplicate of Section 304A.1.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 502.5 – HCAI does not adopt this section.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 503A.1 and Existing Section 503A.1 – Amendment in existing Section 503A.1 is deleted since it is picked up by model code in Section 503.1. Last line of the first paragraph is deleted since it is inconsistent with rest of the subsections.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 503A.3 – Amendment in existing Section 503A.3 is deleted since it is picked up by model code. Existing deletion of model code Exceptions is retained. Reference from “this code” is changed to the “California Building Code” because the design loads are specified in the CBC.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 503A.3.1 – Section is deleted because it is a duplicate of Section 304A.1.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 503A.4 – Model code Section 503.4 is adopted as 503A.4 with existing amendments carried forward, deleted or modified to align with changes in 2024 IEBC.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 503A.13 and Existing Section 503A.13 – Model code Section 503.13 is updated with some of the existing amendments in Existing Section 503A.13 to align with changes in IEBC 2024. Existing Section 503A.13 is deleted in its entirety.

Revision will permit incidental and minor voluntary improvements without fully upgrading building to full or reduced seismic force requirements. For example, columns in a soft story can be wrapped with fiber reinforced composites to reduce potential for failure during a seismic event without bringing the entire building to comply with full or reduced seismic force requirements.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 506A.1 and Existing Section 506A.1 – Amendments in existing Section 506A.1 are repealed since it is picked up by model code in Section 506.1. Reference to "Code Official" is changed to "Building Official" to use OSHPD adopted terminology.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 506A.1.1 – Revise existing amendment, which replaced the entire model code section with OSHPD language, to adopt and print part of the model code language specifying that compliance need only meet the specific provisions where the change of function occurs and is not intended for the entire building be brought into compliance.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 506A.3 and Existing Section 506A.3 – Amendments in existing Section 506A.3 is repealed since it is picked up by model code in Section 506.3.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 506A.5 and Existing Section 506A.5 – Amendments in existing Section 506A.5 are repealed in favor of adopting model code Section 506.5 with subsections 506.5.1 and 506.5.2. Section 506.5.4 is not adopted because those provisions would not apply to an existing OSHPD 1 building or in conflict with other provisions in the code.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Section 506A.5.3 – Reference to non-OSHPD 1 building occupancies is deleted and section references are corrected. Exceptions to this section are repealed as they do not apply to OSHPD 1 buildings.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

Model Code Section 507 – Section is deleted since there are no OSHPD 1 building classified as historic building.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 10
CHAPTERS 6 through 15

HCAI does not adopt Chapters 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 11

CHAPTER 16 REFERENCED STANDARDS

Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 16 for OSHPD 3 and 6. Adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code Chapter 16 for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 4, and 5. Carry forward existing amendments of the 2022 California Existing Building Code for OSHPD 1, 1R, 2, 4 and 5 with the following modifications.

User note: References in this chapter are revised to match with amendments in other chapters.

ASCE 7–2016: Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures has been updated to include Supplement 3 for OSHPD 1 buildings.

ASCE 7–2022: Minimum Design Loads and Associated Criteria for Buildings and Other Structures has been updated to match with reference in the CBC and 2022 edition of ASCE 7.

ASCE 41–2013: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Building, reference standard has been retained for SPC-4D and SPC-2 retrofits.

ASCE 41–2023: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings reference standard has been updated to align with model code errata posted on December 20, 2023.

ASTM A615–22: Specification for Deformed and Plain Carbon-steel Bars for Concrete Reinforcement, test standard has been updated to align with industry specifications.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

ITEM 12

Appendices A, B, C, D, E and Resource A

HCAI does not adopt Appendix A, B, C, D and E and Resource A.

CAC Recommendation:

Approve

Agency Response:

Accept

TECHNICAL, THEORETICAL, AND EMPIRICAL STUDY, REPORT, OR SIMILAR DOCUMENTS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(3) requires an identification of each technical, theoretical, and empirical study, report, or similar document, if any, upon which the agency relies in proposing the regulation(s).

2024 IBC: International Building Code

2024 IEBC: International Existing Building Code

ASCE 7-22: Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other structures with Supplement No. 1

ASCE 24-14: Flood Resistant Design and Construction

ASCE 41-23: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Buildings

ACI 318-19: Building Code Requirements for Structural Concrete and Commentary

ACI 369.1-22: Seismic Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Concrete Buildings—Code and Commentary

AISC 360-22: Specification for Structural Steel Buildings

AISC 341-22: Seismic Provisions for Structural Steel Buildings

AISC 342-22: Seismic Provisions for Evaluation and Retrofit of Existing Structural Steel Buildings

AISC 358-22: Prequalified Connections for Special and Intermediate Steel Moment Frames for Seismic Applications

TMS 402-22: Building Code Requirements for Masonry Structures

TMS 602-22: Specification for Masonry Structures

ANSI/AWC NDS-24: National Design Specification (NDS) for Wood Construction

ANSI/AWC SDPWS-2021: Special Design Provisions for Wind and Seismic

STATEMENT OF JUSTIFICATION FOR PRESCRIPTIVE STANDARDS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(1) requires a statement of the reasons why an agency believes any mandates for specific technologies or equipment, or prescriptive standards are required.

The proposed changes do not mandate any specific technologies or equipment and do not require any prescriptive standards.

CONSIDERATION OF REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(4)(A) requires a description of reasonable alternatives to the regulation and the agency's reasons for rejecting those alternatives. In the case of a regulation that would mandate the use of specific technologies or equipment or prescribe specific action or procedures, the imposition of performance standards shall be considered as an alternate. It is not the intent of this paragraph to require the agency to artificially construct alternatives or describe unreasonable alternatives.

The alternative to these proposed regulations would be to leave regulations as they are which will be inconsistent with Health and Safety Code Section 18941 requirements. There were no alternatives for consideration by HCAI. The proposed amendments will provide clarification and consistency within the code and are in alignment with national standards.

REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES THE AGENCY HAS IDENTIFIED THAT WOULD LESSEN ANY ADVERSE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(4)(B) requires a description of any reasonable alternatives that have been identified or that have otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of the agency that would lessen any adverse impact on small business.

Small businesses will not be adversely impacted by the proposed adoption, amendments, or repeal of code requirements.

FACTS, EVIDENCE, DOCUMENTS, TESTIMONY, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON BUSINESS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(5)(A) requires the facts, evidence, documents, testimony, or other evidence on which the agency relies to support an initial determination that the action will not have a significant adverse economic impact on business.

HCAI has identified that there will be no adverse economic impact on businesses on the basis that the provisions proposed are optional and are being proposed to allow facilities to provide services that better match their needs. Technical update to the national standards for structural design are incorporated, mostly by reference.

ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT OF REGULATIONS UPON JOBS AND BUSINESS EXPANSION, ELIMINATION OR CREATION

Government Code Sections 11346.2(b)(2) and 11346.3(b)(1)

The Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHDP) has assessed whether and to what extent this proposal will affect the following:

A. The creation or elimination of jobs within the State of California.

The proposed regulations will not create or eliminate jobs within the State of California.

B. The creation of new businesses or the elimination of existing businesses within the State of California.

The proposed regulations will not create new businesses or eliminate existing businesses within the State of California.

C. The expansion of businesses currently doing business within the State of California.

The proposed regulations will not cause expansion of businesses currently doing business with the State of California.

D. The benefits of the regulation to the health and welfare of California residents, worker safety, and the state's environment.

HCAI promulgates building standards regarding the design and construction of licensed health facilities to ensure the protection of the public's health and safety in the facilities. The proposed regulations are necessary for the continued preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of California residents through updated amendments. The regulations will not affect worker safety, or the state's environment.

ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLIANCE, ESTIMATED POTENTIAL BENEFITS, AND RELATED ASSUMPTIONS USED FOR BUILDING STANDARDS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(5)(B)(i) states if a proposed regulation is a building standard, the initial statement of reasons shall include the estimated cost of compliance, the estimated potential benefits, and the related assumptions used to determine the estimates.

The regulations proposed will have no overall cost impact, since they are mostly technical update to incorporate model code changes since the adoption of currently enforced requirements in the Code. Technical updates to the national standards for structural design are incorporated, mostly by reference.

DUPLICATION OR CONFLICTS WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(6) requires a department, board, or commission within the Environmental Protection Agency, the Resources Agency, or the Office of the State Fire Marshal to describe its efforts, in connection with a proposed rulemaking action, to avoid unnecessary duplication or conflicts with federal regulations contained in the Code of Federal Regulations addressing the same issues. These agencies may adopt regulations different from these federal regulations upon a finding of one or more of the following justifications: (A) The differing state regulations are authorized by law and/or (B) The cost of differing state regulations is justified by the benefit to human health, public safety, public welfare, or the environment.

The proposed regulations do not duplicate or conflict with Federal regulations.