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Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

Introduced by

(At the request of the Department of Commerce)

1 A BILL for an act to amend and reenact sections 54-21.2-03 and 54-21.2-04 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code relating to energy conservation standards in new building
3 construction.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-21.2-03 of the North Dakota Century Code
6 is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **54-21.2-03. Energy conservation standards.** The standards for energy
8 conservation in new building construction, for thermal design conditions and criteria for
9 buildings, and for adequate thermal resistance in regard to the design and selection of
10 mechanical, electrical service, and illumination systems and equipment which will enable
11 the effective use of energy in new buildings, must at least equal the ~~Energy Conservation~~
12 ~~Code based on the Council of American Building Officials Model Energy Code, 1989~~
13 ~~Edition~~ International Energy Conservation Code, 2006 edition, as published by the
14 International Code Council. The department of commerce shall adopt rules to implement,
15 update, and amend the ~~Model Energy Code~~ state energy conservation standards.

16 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-21.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code
17 is amended and reenacted as follows.

18 **54-21.2-04. Inspections.** All construction or work ~~for which a permit is required~~
19 ~~pursuant to section 11-33-18, subsection 6 of section 40-05-02, or other similar grant of~~
20 ~~authority is subject to inspection by the local building inspector~~ subject to this chapter shall
21 be inspected in accordance with section 105 of the International Energy Conservation

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1 Code. ~~The governing body of a city, county, or township that elects to administer and~~
2 ~~enforce an energy conservation standard shall adopt and enforce the state energy~~
3 ~~conservation standards. The state energy conservation standards may be amended by~~
4 ~~cities, counties, and townships to conform to local needs. No construction may be covered~~
5 ~~without inspection approval, and there must be a final inspection on all buildings when~~
6 ~~completed and ready for occupancy. The building inspector may cause any structure to be~~
7 ~~reinspected.~~