DIGEST

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HB No. 411

Abstract: Requires the adoption of the latest version of Part IV-Energy Conservation of the International Residential Code; prohibits the adoption of a state amendment that weakens the efficiency of Part IV-Energy Conservation of the International Residential Code.

<u>Present law</u> requires the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council to evaluate, adopt, and amend only the latest editions of the following as the state uniform construction code:

- (1) International Building Code, not including Parts I-Administrative, Chapter 11-Accessibility, Chapter 27-Electrical, and Chapter 29-Plumbing Systems.
- (2) International Existing Building Code, not including Parts I-Administrative.
- (3) International Residential Code, not including Parts I-Administrative, V-Mechanical, VII-Plumbing, and VIII-Electrical.
- (4) International Mechanical Code.
- (5) The Louisiana State Plumbing Code [Part XIV (Plumbing) of the State Sanitary Code].
- (6) International Fuel Gas Code.
- (7) National Electric Code.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> amends Part IV-Energy Conservation of the latest edition of the International Residential Code to require that supply and return ducts be insulated to a minimum of R-6.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals <u>present law</u> and requires Part IV-Energy Conservation of the 2009 or latest edition of the International Residential Code to be adopted and updated as new editions of the codes are published.

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits the adoption of any state amendment that weakens the efficiency of Part IV-Energy Conservation below the requirements of the 2009 International Residential Code.

(Amends R.S. 40:1730.28(A)(3)(e))