# TAC CONSIDERATION PROCESS FOR REVIEWING PROPOSED GLITCH AMENDMENTS TO THE 2013 FLORIDA BUILDING CODE

## GLITCH AMENDMENT CRITERIA—SECTION 553.73(8) F.S.

In order for a proposed code amendment to be accepted as a Glitch amendment, it must fall within one of the following criteria:

- (a.) Conflicts within the updated code;
- ➤ (b.) Conflicts between the updated code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code adopted pursuant to chapter 633;
- ➤ (c.) Unintended results from the integration of previously adopted Florida-specific amendments with the model code;
- (d.) Equivalency of standards;
- (e.) Changes to or inconsistencies with federal or state law; or
- (f.) Adoption of an updated edition of the National Electrical Code if the Commission finds that delay of implementing the updated edition causes undue hardship to stakeholders or otherwise threatens the public health, safety, and welfare.
- ➤ In addition, the TAC (Commission) may not approve an amendment that diminishes criteria related to wind resistance or prevention of water intrusion.

The Proponent of a proposed Glitch amendment was required to check which of the Glitch criteria (a. – f. above) their proposed amendment complied with when they submitted the amendment, and the specific glitch criteria is noted on the relevant tracking chart.

### OVERVIEW OF TAC DECISION SEQUENCE

The TAC will first determine whether the amendment meets the Glitch criteria:

**Glitch Motion:** proposed amendment meets the Glitch criteria as indicated by the Proponent (either for approval or for a negative roll call).

**No Vote On Glitch Criteria:** If the vote is less than 75% in favor, then the recommendation to the Commission is the amendment does not meet Glitch criteria and the TAC recommends **No Affirmative Recommendation** (NAR).

**Yes Vote On Glitch Criteria:** If the vote meets the 75% in favor threshold for approval then it is deemed to meet the required Glitch criteria. The TAC will subsequently vote on the proposed code text to correct the Glitch.

**Motion:** to approve proposed Glitch amendment code text, either: **As Submitted** (AS) if there are no TAC revisions; or if an amendment to the code text is made by the TAC: **As Amended** (AM). If less than 75% are in favor of the proposed code text to correct the glitch, then the recommendation is **No Affirmative Recommendation** (NAR).

The TAC should avoid substantive amendments to proposed Glitch amendment code text and focus on editorial corrections only. If an amendment requires substantive revisions for TAC support, the TAC should recommend No Affirmative Recommendation (NAR).

#### TAC GLITCH AMENDMENT REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION PROCESS

#### LOGISTICS

- Facilitator (or TAC chair if there is not a facilitator) will serve as the moderator, and assist with adopted process and groundrules.
- One person speaks at a time.
- Limit your comment and be concise.
- Comments will be limited to a maximum of three-minutes (3) per person.
- Do not read lengthy prepared statements; Summarize and submit complete text of comment for the record.
- Offer new points and/or state agreement with previous speakers; Please do not repeat what has been stated.
- Chair/Facilitator may terminate a comment if it is repeating previous comments, and not simply stating agreement or offering new points.
- The TAC wants to hear all viewpoints to ensure all perspectives are considered, and not repeats of the same views (other than to state agreement).

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Facilitator will introduce each proposed Glitch amendment in turn by technical Code area.
- Public comment opportunity provided.
- Proponents speak first followed by opponents. Commenters should comment on whether the amendment meets Glitch criteria and on the proposed Glitch fix code text. The proponent (submitter) of the amendment will be offered one brief counterpoint opportunity to address only new points not addressed during their initial comment opportunity.

#### **TAC CONSIDERATION**

- Clarifying questions by TAC members only.
- Staff, proponent, or specified commenter will respond to TAC Members' questions through approval of the TAC chair.
- TAC will first vote whether amendment complies with Glitch criteria.
- Once a motion is on the floor, discussion is limited to TAC members except as allowed by the Chair/Facilitator.
- If the TAC votes that the amendment meets Glitch criteria, they will subsequently vote on the proposed code text to correct the Glitch. This will provide the Commission with a recommendation to approve the proposed Glitch amendment: **As Submitted** (AS), **As Amended** (AM), or **No Affirmative Recommendation** (NAR).
- If the TAC votes that the amendment does not meet Glitch criteria, the recommendation to the Commission will be: proposed amendment does not meet Glitch criteria, TAC recommends No Affirmative Recommendation (NAR).
- Motions to deny are not allowed by Commission Rules. Negative roll calls are used to recommend denial of an amendment.
- All proposed Glitch amendments will be voted on individually.
- Motions require a 75% favorable vote for approval; those with less than a 75% favorable vote are deemed to be: **No Affirmative Recommendation** (denied).

## ORGANIZATION OF TAC RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUEST FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION OF TAC RECOMMENDATIONS

#### ORGANIZATION OF TAC RECOMMENDATIONS ON GLITCH AMENDMENTS

For each technical code area (Accessibility, Code Administration, Electrical, Energy, Fire, Mechanical, Plumbing, Roofing, Special Occupancy, Structural, and Swimming Pool), TAC recommendations on proposed Glitch amendments will be organized on three consent agendas per TAC, as follows:

**Consent Agenda 1:** TAC recommends amendments meet Glitch criteria, and TAC recommends approval of Glitch amendments **As Submitted** (AS).

**Consent Agenda 2:** TAC recommends amendments meet Glitch criteria, and TAC recommends approval of Glitch amendments **As Modified** (AM) by the TAC.

**Consent Agenda 3:** TAC recommends amendments do not meet Glitch criteria, and TAC recommends **No Affirmative Recommendation** (NAR).

If any amendments are deemed to meet the Glitch criteria and there is no affirmative recommendation on the code text proposed to correct the glitch, they will be considered individually by the Commission.

#### PULLING AMENDMENTS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDAS OF TAC RECOMMENDATIONS

Once the TAC recommendations on proposed Glitch amendments are posted to the BCIS the public will have three weeks to submit their requests for amendments to be pulled off of the consent agendas through the BCIS. DBPR staff will work with the respective TAC chairs to develop recommendations regarding which amendments to initially pull from the consent agendas of TAC recommendations. All Commission members retain the right to pull any amendment they wish to consider individually during the Commission's consideration of Glitch amendment conducted at the August 22-23, 2013 Commission meeting. Pulling amendments off of the consent agendas in advance will allow staff to organize the tracking charts as accurately as possible and expedite the Commission's Glitch review process during the August meeting.

Amendments the TAC chairs recommend pulling for individual consideration based on public comment submitted through the BCIS will be on separate tracking charts for each code area and will be considered individually. Commissioners may pull any amendments they wish from the consent agendas of TAC recommendations during the Commission's consideration of Glitch amendments at the August 22-23, 2013 Commission meeting.

## TAC GLITCH AMENDMENT REVIEW PROCESS MEETING SCHEDULE

COMMISSION TAC GLITCH AMENDMENT REVIEW TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS	
Wednesday, June 12, 2013	
10:00 AM	Structural TAC (103 amendments)
Thursday, June 13, 2013	
8:30 AM	Fire TAC (2 amendments)
10:00 AM	Code Administration TAC (6 amendments)
1:00 PM	Special Occupancy TAC (6 amendments)
3:00 PM	Roofing TAC (10 amendments)
FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2013	
8:30 AM	Plumbing TAC (19 amendments)
1:00 PM	Energy TAC (25 amendments)
Monday, June 17, 2013	
10:00 AM	Accessibility TAC (14 amendments)
1:00 PM	Swimming Pool TAC (8 amendments)