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Subject: delay on new building code

To the Florida Building Commission:

I am writing to support the on-time implementation of the new Florida Building Code. Many people have worked countless hours to get the code completed. Our office is licensed in 20 states and would like to get our standards in line with the rest of the country. We like many other design professionals have worked with some of the many referenced standards under the ICC family of codes and are very familiar with ASCE 7-16, newer NEC, and a host of other referenced standards. ASCE 7-16 has some specific advantages in terms of wind loading for our State and with affordable housing being an issue, we need any help we can get. Our current projects and product approvals are programmed and designed for an on-time code change. Not just the FBC, but the Florida Fire Prevention Code as well. In our office we are busy working to complete current projects and have started to implement the proposed projects under the new codes; some owners are asking about designing under the new code as there are some potential savings. Further, I am involved with the Hillsborough County construction code as well as FEMA flood ordinances and delays will give a false sense that the work can just be put on the back burner.

It causes enough extra work in our office to keep track of numerous other State codes as well as the ICC family of codes and a unique Florida Code. We need to get more current and consistent with the rest of the country, not fall further behind. Please seriously consider staying on schedule to make Florida a better place for all of us.

With all respect,

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