Notice is hereby given that the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC) on behalf of Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) to adopt, approve, codify, and publish changes to building standards contained in the California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 24, Part 1. OSHPD is proposing building standards related to the 2016 California Administrative Code.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

A public hearing has not been scheduled; however, written comments will be accepted for 45-days from March 1, 2019, until 5:00pm on April 15, 2019.

Please address your comments to:
California Building Standards Commission
Attention: Mia Marvelli, Executive Director
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833

Written comments may also be emailed to CBSC@dgs.ca.gov.

Any interested person, or his or her duly authorized representative, may request no later than 15 days prior to the close of the written comment period that a public hearing be held.

The public will have an opportunity to provide both written and/or oral comments regarding the proposed action on building standards at a public meeting to be conducted by the CBSC to be scheduled at a date near the end of the current adoption cycle. A meeting notice will be issued announcing the date, time and location of the public meeting.

POST-HEARING MODIFICATIONS TO THE TEXT OF THE REGULATIONS


Following the public comment period, CBSC may adopt the proposed building standards substantially as proposed in this notice or with modifications that are sufficiently related to the original proposed text and notice of proposed changes. If modifications are made, the full text of the proposed modifications, clearly indicated, will be made available to the public for at least 15 days prior to the date on which the CBSC adopts, amends, or repeals the regulation(s). CBSC will accept written comments on the modified building standards during the 15-day period.

NOTE: To be notified of any modifications, you must submit written/oral comments or request that you be notified of any modifications.
AUTHORITY AND REFERENCE

The CBSC proposes to adopt these building standards under the authority granted by Health and Safety Code 18949.3. The purpose of these building standards is to implement, interpret, or make specific the provisions of Health and Safety Code Section 130062 and 130066.

OSHPD is proposing this regulatory action based on Health and Safety Code Sections 1226, 1275, 18928, 18929, 129790 and 129850 and Government Code Section 11152.5.

INFORMATIVE DIGEST

Summary of Existing Laws
Health and Safety Code, Section 129850 authorizes the Office to propose building standards, as necessary, in order to carry out the requirements of the Alfred E. Alquist Hospital Facilities Seismic Safety Act. The office is also authorized to submit to the California Building Standards Commission for approval and adoption of building standards related to the seismic safety of hospital buildings.

Health and Safety Code, Section 18929 allows the California Building Standards Commission, in conjunction with OSHPD, to adopt building standards pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 18930 and the Government Code (commencing with Section 11346).

Summary of Existing Regulations
OSHPD currently enforces the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, 2016 California Administrative Code (CAC). OSHPD enforces requirements related to the construction of hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, licensed clinics and correctional treatment centers. Requirements governing the structural design and construction of OSHPD regulated health facilities are currently found in Volumes 1 & 2 of the 2016 CBC.

Summary of Effect
The purpose of this proposed action is to implement Assembly Bill 2190, Chaptered as 673, adding Sections 130062 and 130066 to the California Health and Safety Code. By imposing requirements under the Hospital Facilities Seismic Safety Act for owners of hospitals with regard to extension applications, the statute expands the scope of a crime, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program. The emergency regulations implement the related standards into the California Building Standards Code.

Comparable Federal Statute or Regulations
There are no comparable federal statute or regulations related to this proposed action.

Policy Statement Overview
The intent of this proposal is to amend the administrative regulations, as necessary, for health facility construction, pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 18928. OSHPD is responsible for the development of regulations regarding the physical plant for hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, licensed clinics and correctional treatment centers.
Evaluation of Consistency
The proposed regulation is consistent and compatible with existing state regulations.

OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY STATUTE APPLICABLE TO THE AGENCY OR TO ANY SPECIFIC REGULATION OR CLASS OF REGULATIONS

There are no other matters to identify.

MANDATE ON LOCAL AGENCIES OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS
Reference: Government Code Section 11346.5(a)(5).
OSHPD has determined that the proposed regulatory action would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts.

ESTIMATE OF COST OR SAVINGS
An estimate, prepared in accordance with instructions adopted by Department of Finance, of cost or savings to any state agency, local agency, or school district.

A. Cost or Savings to any state agency: NO
B. Cost to any local agency required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4: NO
C. Cost to any school district required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4: NO
D. Other nondiscretionary cost or savings imposed on local agencies: NO
E. Cost or savings in federal funding to the state: NO

Estimate: None

INITIAL DETERMINATION OF NO SIGNIFICANT STATEWIDE ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON BUSINESSES
Reference: Government Code Section 11346.5(a)(8).
OSHPD has made an initial determination that the adoption/amendment/repeal of this regulation will not have a significant statewide adverse economic impact on businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

DECLARATION OF EVIDENCE
Reference: Government Code Section 11346.5(a)(8).
OSHPD has not relied on any other facts, evidence, documents, testimony or other evidence to make its initial determination of no statewide adverse economic impact. The scope of the proposed action is to make technical amendments to the administrative regulations of the 2016 California Administrative Code.
FINDING OF NECESSITY FOR THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH, SAFETY, OR WELFARE
A report pursuant to Government Code §11346.3(d) is not required by these proposed regulations.

COST IMPACT ON REPRESENTATIVE PRIVATE PERSON OR BUSINESS
OSHPD is not aware of any cost impacts that a representative private person or business would necessarily incur in reasonable compliance with the proposed action.

ASSESSMENT OF EFFECT OF REGULATIONS UPON JOBS AND BUSINESS EXPANSION, ELIMINATION OR CREATION
OSHPD has assessed whether or not, and to what extent, this proposal will affect the following:

A. The creation or elimination of jobs within the State of California.
   There will be no adverse impact.

B. The creation of new businesses or the elimination of existing businesses within the State of California.
   There will be no significant adverse impact.

C. The expansion of businesses currently doing business within the State of California.
   There will be no adverse impact.

D. The benefits of the regulation to the health and welfare of California residents, worker safety, and the state’s environment.
   There will be no significant adverse impact.

ESTIMATED COST OF COMPLIANCE OF STANDARDS THAT WOULD IMPACT HOUSING
Proposal does not impact housing cost, since regulations does not cover housing. Housing is outside OSHPD jurisdiction.

CONSIDERATION OF ALTERNATIVES
Reference: Government Code Section 11346.5(a)(13).
OSHPD has determined that no reasonable alternative considered by OSHPD or that has otherwise been identified and brought to the attention of OSHPD would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action, or would be more cost-effective to affected private persons and equally effective in implementing the statutory policy or other provisions of law.
AVAILABILITY OF RULEMAKING DOCUMENTS

Reference: Government Code Sections 11346.5(a)(16) and 11346.5(a)(20).
All of the information upon which the proposed regulations are based is contained in the
rulemaking file, which is available for public review, by contacting the person named
below. This notice, the express terms and initial statement of reasons can be accessed
from the CBSC website: www.dgs.ca.gov/bsc

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the final statement of reasons, once it has been
prepared, by making a written request to the contact person named below or at the CBSC
website: www.dgs.ca.gov/bsc

OSHPD shall provide, upon request, a description of proposed changes included in the
proposed action, in the manner provided by Section 11346.6, to accommodate a person
with a visual or other disability for which effective communication is required under state or
federal law and that providing the description of proposed changes may require extending
the period of public comment for the proposed action.

CBSC CONTACT PERSON FOR PROCEDURAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE QUESTIONS

General questions regarding procedural and administrative issues should be addressed to:

Gary L. Fabian, AIA
Associate Architect
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833
Telephone: (916) 263-0916

PROPOSING STATE AGENCY CONTACT PERSON FOR SUBSTANTIVE AND/OR
TECHNICAL QUESTIONS ON THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO BUILDING
STANDARDS

Specific questions regarding the substantive and/or technical aspects of the proposed
changes to the building standards should be addressed to:

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