

**FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS  
FOR  
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS  
OF THE  
OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT  
  
REGARDING THE  
CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE  
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 2  
(CALIFORNIA) CHAPTER 1, CHAPTERS 12 AND 30, AND APPENDIX CHAPTER 1**

The Administrative Procedure Act requires that every agency shall maintain a file of each rulemaking that shall be deemed to be the record for that rulemaking proceeding. The rulemaking file shall include a final statement of reasons. The Final Statement of Reasons shall be available to the public upon request when rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following are the reasons for proposing this particular rulemaking action:

**UPDATES TO THE INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**

The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) finds that no revisions have been made which would warrant a change to the initial statement of reasons for the following proposed amendments:

- Provide various minor technical corrections to improve code consistency, accuracy and clarity
- Provide an exception to allow rural hospitals to not provide surgical services
- Clarify the design requirements for newborn intensive care units based on the 2006 AIA Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities
- Clarify applicability of outpatient clinic requirements
- Add a section to clarify requirements for bloodborne infection isolation rooms

**MANDATE ON LOCAL AGENCIES OR SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

The OSHPD has determined that the proposed regulatory action would not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts.

**OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION(S)**

OSHPD received no public comments regarding the proposed regulations.

**DETERMINATION OF ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED AND EFFECT ON PRIVATE PERSONS**

OSHPD has determined that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the regulation is proposed or would be as effective, and less burdensome to affected private persons than the adopted regulation.

**REJECTED PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE THAT WOULD LESSEN THE ADVERSE ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESSES**

No alternatives were proposed. OSHPD has determined that the proposed regulations will not have an adverse economic impact on small businesses.

**COMMENTS MADE BY THE OFFICE OF SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE**

OSHPD did not receive comments from the Office of Small Business Advocate.

**COMMENTS MADE BY THE TRADE AND COMMERCE AGENCY**

OSHPD did not receive comments from the Trade and Commerce Agency.