

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS**  
**FOR**  
**PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS**  
**OF THE**  
**CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION (CBSC)**  
**REGARDING**  
**THE CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE IN CHAPTER 1 OF PART 1 OF TITLE 24, CALIFORNIA CODE OF**  
**REGULATIONS, KNOWN AS THE REGULATIONS OF THE CBSC**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires that an Initial Statement of Reasons be available to the public upon request when a rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following information required by the APA pertains to this particular rulemaking action:

**STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE AND RATIONALE:**

Government Code Section 11346.2 requires a statement of specific purpose of each adoption, amendment, or repeal and the rational of the determination by the agency that each adoption, amendment, or repeal is reasonably necessary to carry out the purpose for which it is proposed.

This proposal adds a section in Chapter 1 of the California Administrative Code, which contains regulations governing CBSC activities, primarily those authorized in California Building Standards Law. Its intent is to address the use by other bodies than CBSC of its logos, symbols or emblems (indicia) developed in recent years to identify commercial and other properties. Some of these indicia have recently been protected as CBSC property by trademark. The proposal in Article 1-2:

- Describes indicia, associated with certain CBSC properties, covered by these regulations;
- Outlines the procedure for a public request to use CBSC's indicia;
- Provides for a CBSC response to a request for usage.

**TECHNICAL, THEORETICAL, AND EMPIRICAL STUDY, REPORT, OR SIMILAR DOCUMENTS:**

There were no formal studies or reports used as the basis for the proposed amendments to the California Administrative Code.

**CONSIDERATION OF REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES**

CBSC has not identified reasonable alternatives to this proposed action. CBSC has used indicia to identify the building codes available for purchase by the publisher for several years, and these regulations are needed as more are developed and exposed through education and outreach.

**REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES THE AGENCY HAS IDENTIFIED THAT WOULD LESSEN ANY ADVERSE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS.**

No alternatives were identified to lessen the adverse impact on small businesses, since no adverse impact is anticipated from these changes.

**FACTS, EVIDENCE, DOCUMENTS, TESTIMONY, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON BUSINESS.**

No facts, evidence, documents, testimony, or other evidence of any significant adverse economic impact on business have been identified.

**DUPLICATION OR CONFLICTS WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

There are no federal regulations related to this proposed action.