

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

REGARDING THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE,
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 3**

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

STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE AND RATIONALE:

The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development is proposing to amend the 2010 California Electrical Code (CEC) regarding the following:

Chapter 4 and Chapter Matrix Tables – The proposed change makes editorial corrections to the matrix table.

Article 517.30(B)(7) – The essential electrical system of an ambulatory surgical clinic is required by Articles 517.45 (B) and (C) to comply with Section 517.30. As the requirements of Section 517.30 are made by reference only for ambulatory surgical clinics, many designers of stand-alone surgical clinics fail to implement this requirement. The proposed change provides that the essential electrical system requirements also apply to ambulatory surgical clinics.

Article 517.123 - The existing provisions of this article are being repealed and replaced with language that provides consistency with nationally recognized standards for nurse call system requirements for hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, licensed clinics and correctional treatment centers. The proposed amendments are based on the national standards of UL 1069: *Standards for Hospital Signaling and Nurse Call* and The Facility Guidelines Institute's *Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities*.

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

(Government Code Section 11346.2(b)(2) requires an identification of each technical, theoretical, and empirical study, report, or similar document, if any, upon which the agency relies in proposing the regulation(s).)

- UL 1069: *Standards for Hospital Signaling and Nurse Call*
- The Facility Guidelines Institute's *Guidelines for Design and Construction of Health Care Facilities*.

CONSIDERATION OF REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES

The proposed regulations are consistent with nationally recognized standards. No other alternatives were considered.

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

The proposed regulations will not have an adverse impact on small businesses.

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

The proposed regulations will not have an adverse impact on small businesses.

DUPLICATION OR CONFLICTS WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

Not applicable.