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TO: LOCAL BUILDING OFFICIALS
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SUBJECT: Guide for Local Amendments and Filings of Building Standards

This bulletin announces the availability of a new *Guide for Local Amendments and Filings of Building Standards* from the California Building Standards Commission. The new guide provides information on the requirements of state law for local amendments to the provisions of the California Building Standards Code in Title 24, California Code of Regulations. Requirements for the amendment documents, legal basis for amendments, express findings by the local legislative body, local ratification of fire protection district amendments, California Energy Commission approval of local conservation amendments, and filing requirements are clarified.

We believe the new guide will be of assistance to you and your staff should it be necessary to develop amendments to Title 24 because of qualifying local conditions. No local amendment to Title 24 is lawfully enforceable until appropriately filed with the California Building Standards Commission or with the Department of Housing and Community Development in the case of an amendment by a Fire Protection District.

There is no charge for the guide. It may be read or printed from our website <http://www.bsc.ca.gov/>. Find it under our *Publications* tab, and then look for *Guidebooks*. Also, you may find the webinar and slide presentation on the same subject helpful. These resources may be found on the *Home* page of our website.

Questions or comments regarding the subject of this bulletin should be directed to our office at (916) 263-0916 or via e-mail at cbssc@dgs.ca.gov. We welcome comments and suggestions for improvement to the guide.

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