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Brief Title: Revising the authority of local governments to enforce the state building code as it relates to single-family and multifamily residential buildings.

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Agrees with the United States advisory committee on regulatory barriers to affordable housing that increasing the supply of affordable housing can be accomplished through a program of regulatory reform of the building code enforcement system in order to place more reliance on the national model code system and state-wide codes to encourage consistent enforcement of the building code from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

Provides that, after the effective date of this act, all previously adopted stand-alone ordinances or local amendments of a county or city that increase the minimum performance standards for single-family or multifamily residential buildings beyond those contained in the state building code may be reviewed by the state building code council.

Declares that, if the previously adopted stand-alone ordinance or local amendment affecting single-family and multifamily residences is not approved by the state building code council, the stand-alone ordinance or local amendment is null and void as against public policy.