LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Existing Building Code - Adoption of Chapters 6 through 11]

Ordinance adopting Chapters 6 through 11 of the 2022 California Existing Building Code; adopting findings of local conditions under the California Health and Safety Code; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward this ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

Existing Law

The San Francisco Existing Building Code includes the 2022 California Existing Building Code from Chapter 1 through Chapter 5 with some local amendments.

Amendments to Current Law

The Proposed Legislation would adopt Chapters 6 through 11 of the 2022 California Existing Building Code without any local amendments to the San Francisco Existing Building Code.

Background Information

In June of 2023, the California Building Standards Commission ("BSC") added Chapters 6 through 11 to the Existing Building Code to provide alternative compliance methods for, among other things, adaptive reuse and conversion of underused existing buildings. On July 1, 2024, the State Fire Marshal adopted the chapters, the BSC has not formally adopted the chapters. The Proposed Legislation follows the State Fire Marshal's lead by adopting these optional chapters to the San Francisco Existing Building Code.

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