

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Building Code - Process for Building Inspection Commission Review of Legislation Proposed by the Board of Supervisors]

Ordinance amending the Building Code to establish a process for the Building Inspection Commission’s review of legislation proposed by the Board of Supervisors; and affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Existing Law

Charter Section D3.750-5 requires that the Building Inspection Commission “hold public hearings on all proposed amendments to the San Francisco Building Code, Electrical Code, Housing Code, Plumbing Code, and Mechanical Code.” However, there is no codified process for the Commission’s review of amendments to these codes that are initiated by the Board of Supervisors.

Amendments to Current Law

Building Code Section 104A.2.11 is amended to provide a process for the Commission’s review of Board-initiated amendments to the codes enforced by the Department of Building Inspection. The proposed process mirrors that in Planning Code Section 302 for the Planning Commission’s review of Board-initiated amendments to the Planning Code.

Background Information

While Section 104A.2.11 of the Building Code has a process for the Building Inspection Commission’s review of code revisions recommended by the Building Official, there is currently no codified process for the Commission’s review of amendments to these codes proposed by the Board of Supervisors.