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Senate Bill 463 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

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Committee: Local, Urban and State Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend the State Construction Code Act to provide for a statewide application of the Act and the State Construction Code. The bill specifies, however, that the statewide code would apply to the plumbing, electrical, mechanical, and building codes only after rules promulgated under the Act to update each code were filed with the Secretary of State after January 31, 2000.

Currently, the Act and Code apply throughout the State, except that a county, city, village, or township may elect to exempt itself from certain parts of the Act and the Code by adopting and enforcing a nationally recognized model building code or other nationally recognized model code.

In addition, the Act's definition provisions, and those provisions on the State Construction Code Commission, the statewide application of the Act and the Code, a local government's exemption from certain parts of the Act and the Code, enforcement of the Act and the Code, and performance evaluations, would apply to the plumbing, electrical, mechanical, and building codes until the rules to update each code and promulgated after January 31, 2000, took effect. These provisions would be repealed when the last rules updating these codes were filed with the Secretary of State. (The bill would reenact provisions similar to these, with references to local enforcement deleted.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

This bill could result in savings at the local level as currently local governments are required to update their codes every three years. This bill would transfer that responsibility to the State, therefore reducing an administrative burden on local governments.

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