



APPENDIX C CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL NORTH CAROLINA BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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Petition for Rule Making Item Number _____

Granted by BCC _____ Adopted by BCC _____ Approved by RRC _____
 Denied by BCC _____ Disapproved by BCC _____ Objection by RRC _____

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North Carolina State Building Code, Volume 2018 - Section 2902.2, exceptions

CHECK ONE: Revise section to read as follows: Delete section and substitute the following:
 Add new section to read as follows: Delete section without substitution:

~~LINE THROUGH MATERIAL TO BE DELETED~~ UNDERLINE MATERIAL TO BE ADDED

Please type. Continue proposal or reason on plain paper attached to this form. See reverse side for instructions.
 Addition to existing section 2902.2 Separate facilities; exceptions:
"Separate facilities shall not be required to be designated by sex where single-user toilet rooms are provided in accordance with Section 2902.1.2. Separate facilities shall not be required where rooms having both water closets and lavatory fixtures are designed for use by both sexes and privacy for water closets are installed in accordance with Section 405.3.4 of the International Plumbing Code. Urinals shall be located in an area visually separated from the remainder of the facility or each urinal that is provided shall be located in a stall." - Excerpt from 2021 International Building Code

Will this proposal change the cost of construction? Decrease Increase No
 Will this proposal increase to the cost of a dwelling by \$80 or more? Yes No
 Will this proposal affect the Local or State funds? Local State No
 Will this proposal cause a substantial economic impact (≥\$1,000,000)? Yes No
 • Non-Substantial – Provide an economic analysis including benefit/cost estimates.
 • Substantial – The economic analysis must also include 2-alternatives, time value of money and risk analysis.
 • Pursuant to §143-138(a1)(2) a cost-benefit analysis is required for all proposed amendments to the NC Energy Conservation Code. The Building Code Council shall also require same for the NC Residential Code, Chapter 11.

REASON:
 This addition to exceptions for separate facilities is an excerpt from the 2021 International Building Code so there is precedent to add it sooner to our state code. Single user toilet rooms with a single toilet and lavatory have no functional reason to be required to be separated by sex. This can be restricting to building owners and architects who want to provide gender-inclusive restrooms. This small change to the code will allow multiple single toilet rooms to exist without a sex assigned to it.

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Signature: Elenor Methven Date: 01/26/22