

House Business, Labor, and Commerce Committee

Date: 01/22/2026

Bill: HB 41 - Construction and Fire Codes Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Peterson

Floor Sponsor: Senator Vickers

UASD Position: Support

This Bill: Modifies the State Construction Code.

Discussion:

Yea:

Nay:

N/V:

Outcome: The Bill was not heard in Committee today.

Bill: H.B. 65 2nd Substitute - Construction Code Amendments

Sponsor: Representative Peterson

Floor Sponsor: Senator Vickers

UASD Position: Support

This Bill: Modifies the State Construction Code.

Discussion: The sponsor stated that the Bill adopts the 2024 International Construction Code (“ICC”). The sponsor explained that the new American Concrete Institute (“ACI”) standard made changes to the design criteria for tilt-up construction, resulting in reduced use of steel and rebar requirements. This change made to the American Construction Code results in lighter buildings and decreased construction costs. Two clauses within the language become effective upon the signature of the Governor if the Legislature’s votes meet the required threshold. The immediate enactment of the two provisions is intended to decrease project delays. The second substitute, which was adopted by the Committee, incorporates the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. The Bill eliminates the current requirement for ultra-low NOx water heaters. The Utah Home Builders Association spoke in support of the Bill. The Associated General Contractors emphasized cost savings related to concrete and spoke in support.

Yea: 11

Nay: 0

N/V: 5

Outcome: 2nd substitute HB 65 passed out of the Committee with a favorable recommendation.