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STATE & COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAMS

SEC. 50131. ASSISTANCE FOR LATEST AND ZERO BUILDING ENERGY CODE ADOPTION

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Overview of Section 50131 – Code TA

Objective:

\$1B for building energy codes to assist States and local governments (with code making authority) with implementing enforceable policies to improve residential and commercial new construction, major renovations, and begin transitioning the existing building stock to more-efficient, decarbonized buildings for all.

DOE's Role:

Deliver technical assistance to States and local governments with code making authority to adopt the latest building energy codes (or equivalent) and zero energy codes (or equivalent), while increasing compliance and developing the next-generation workforce.

Section 50131 Provisions

- **Grants to States and units of local government with code making authority to adopt the latest building energy codes**
 - 2021 IECC for Residential and 2019 ASHRAE Standard 90.1 for Commercial
 - Or an equivalent code in terms of energy savings
- **Grants to States and units of local government with code making authority to adopt zero energy codes**
 - 2021 IECC Zero Energy Appendices for Residential and Commercial
 - Or an equivalent code in terms of energy savings
- **Grant recipient must have a compliance plan consisting of**
 - Implementation plan to achieve full compliance with any building energy code adopted with grants funds for new and renovated residential or commercial buildings;
 - Active training and enforcement programs; and
 - Measurement of the rate of compliance each year

Eligible Activities

- **Technical Assistance to States and local governments with code making authority**
 - Latest Building Energy Code Adoption
 - Zero Energy Code Adoption
 - Adoption of Equivalent Building Code Policies
 - Workforce Training
 - Compliance Support
 - Tools and Analysis
 - Education and Outreach
 - Implementation Assistance
 - Capacity Building
- **Partnerships are encouraged!**

What can States expect next?

- **Request for Information/Notice of Intent – Spring 2023**
 - We want to hear from you!
- **Funding Opportunity Announcement – Fall 2023**
- **Ongoing stakeholder dialogue**
 - Continuing the conversation with the States