



## ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY OFFICE OF LAW

### Legislative Summary

**To:** Members, Anne Arundel County Council

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**Subject:** Bill No. 25-24 – Construction and Property Maintenance Codes – Codes and Supplements

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This summary was prepared by the Anne Arundel County Office of Law for use by members of the Anne Arundel County Council during consideration of Bill No. 25-24.

### Background

In Article 15, Title 2 of the County Code, the County has adopted versions of various construction codes published by either the National Fire Protection Association (“NFPA”) or the International Code Council, Inc. (“ICC”), with changes to those codes set forth in the Construction Code Supplement to the County Code. At present, the County is utilizing the 2017 version of the National Electrical Code, and the 2018 versions of the International Building Code, International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings, International Energy Conservation Code, International Existing Building Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, International Plumbing Code, and International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.

### Purpose

The purpose of Bill No. 25-24 is to make the necessary modifications to County Code Article 15, Construction and Property Maintenance Codes, and the Construction Code Supplement to the County Code for the adoption of the 2020 version of the National Electrical Code, and the 2021 versions of the International Building Code, International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings, International Energy Conservation Code, International Existing Building Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Mechanical Code, International Plumbing Code, and International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.

### Bill No. 25-24

**Note:** This Legislative Summary provides a synopsis of the bill as introduced. It does not address subsequent amendments to the bill.

**SECTION 1.**

This section makes changes to Article 15, Title 10 to adopt the 2020 version of the NFPA and the 2021 version of the ICC codes.

**SECTION 2.**

This section repeals items in the Construction Code Supplement that modify provisions of the to the International Residential Code and the National Electrical Code.

**SECTION 3.**

This section renumbers various provisions of the Construction Code Supplement as required by changes to the Construction Code Supplement made in Section 4.

**SECTION 4.**

This section reflects the adoption of the 2020 version of the NFPA and the 2021 version of the ICC codes and modifies these codes to be consistent with the County's procedures and requirements. Many of the changes are to correct the designation of the version of the applicable NFPA or ICC code and to make the Construction Code Supplement consistent with any changes between the old and new versions of the NFPA or ICC codes.

**SECTION 5.**

This section provides that the bill takes effect 45 days after it becomes law.

The Office of Law is available to answer any additional questions regarding this Bill.  
Thank you.

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