



**ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Building code enforcement practices

PURPOSE: To examine the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code

Tuesday
November 1, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Hearing Room C
Legislative Office Building
Albany, New York 12248

The New York State Department of State oversees the administration and enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (Uniform Code) by local governments. Under current law, the Department of State also approves code enforcement training programs and minimum qualifications for code enforcement personnel in order to help ensure effective code enforcement practices. This hearing seeks to examine the administration and enforcement practices for the Uniform Code, including the role of the Department of State in the oversight of local government code enforcement activities and requirements for code enforcement officer certification. Input from relevant stakeholders will be valuable to ensure best practices are followed in the interest of protecting the health, safety, and security of all New Yorkers.

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