

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a)(1) of this section is new language added as the standard introductory language to a definition subsection.

Subsection (a)(2) of this section is new language added to avoid repetition of the full title of the "Department of Housing and Community Development".

Subsections (a)(3) and (b) through (g) of this section are new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 83B, § 6-101.

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the former reference to existing building codes being "so written as to" preclude their use is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (b)(2) of this section, the reference to the finding that several subdivisions have no building codes to protect "the public" is substituted for the former reference to building codes to protect "their citizens" for clarity and accuracy. Subdivisions of the State do not have citizens; rather, they have residents. However, this provision is broadly drafted and would seem to be intended to cover anyone living in the community, *i.e.*, the public, not just "residents" of the community or subdivision.

Also in subsection (b)(2) of this section, the former reference to the "intrusion" of unsafe, unsound, or unsanitary buildings is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (c) of this section, the authority to "adopt" a Model Performance Code is substituted for the former authority to "prepare and issue" a Model Performance Code for brevity and consistency with language used in other revised articles. The Department has adopted a Model Performance Code for building construction in COMAR 05.02.01.02.

In subsection (d) of this section, the former reference to the Model Performance Code "authorized by this section" is deleted as surplusage. Similarly, in subsection (e)(1) of this section, the former reference to the Model Performance Code "which the Department is authorized to issue" is deleted as surplusage.

In subsection (e)(5) of this section, the reference to the purposes for which building codes are "enacted" is substituted for the former reference to the purposes for which they are "drawn" for clarity.

In subsection (f)(2) of this section, the reference to the "approval" of the Department is substituted for the former reference to "concurrence" of the Department to use a more precise term. Consequently, in subsection (g) of this section, the reference to "approval" of requests is substituted for the former reference to "[c]oncurrence" for consistency.

Also in subsection (f)(2) of this section, the former reference to "rules" is deleted as included in the reference to "regulations". *See* General Revisor's Note to article.

In subsection (f)(4)(ii) of this section, the reference to "those jurisdictions"