

SB 25-142: CHANGES TO WILDFIRE RESILIENCY CODE BOARD

Prime Sponsors:

Sen. Baisley; Cutter Rep. Velasco

Bill Outcome: Signed into Law **Drafting number:** LLS 25-0815

Fiscal note status: The final fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

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Summary Information

Overview. The bill gives governing bodies more time to implement local codes based on those developed by the Wildfire Resiliency Code Board.

Types of impacts. The bill is projected to affect the following areas on an ongoing basis:

Local Government

Appropriations. No appropriation is required.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts

	Budget Year	Out Year
Type of Impact	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27
State Revenue	\$0	\$0
State Expenditures	\$0	\$0
Transferred Funds	\$0	\$0
Change in TABOR Refunds	\$0	\$0
Change in State FTE	0.0 FTE	0.0 FTE

Summary of Legislation

Under current law, governing bodies with jurisdiction over an area within a wildland urban interface (WUI) have three months to adopt local building codes and standards that meet or exceed those developed by the Wildfire Resiliency Code Board (board) in the Division of Fire Prevention and Control in the Department of Public Safety (CDPS). The board must adopt an initial set of statewide building codes and standards to reduce the wildfire risk to people and property by July 1, 2025.

The bill extends the deadline for governing body adoption of local codes from three to nine months. The bill also authorizes the governing body adopting local codes to enforce those either in accord with the governing body's rules and regulations, or through a cooperative agreement.

Local Government

Local governments with jurisdiction to adopt building codes in a WUI will have additional time to comply with statewide standards. Local governments without enforcement capacity may receive inspection and enforcement support from the CDPS.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect on June 3, 2025.

State and Local Government Contacts

Law Public Safety

Natural Resources