

H.F. 3545

As amended by H3545DE1

Subject Residential energy code updates**Authors** Mekeland and others**Analyst** Anna Scholin**Date** March 9, 2026**Summary**

This bill, as amended by H3545DE1, would remove the requirement to adopt residential energy codes from 2026 to 2038 that incrementally move toward achieving a 70 percent reduction in annual net energy consumption compared to 2006. It would instead require the commissioner of labor and industry to adopt the efficiency standard of each new published edition of the International Energy Conservation Code, beginning in 2026. The reporting requirement is modified accordingly, to require reports to the legislature on each new code that gets adopted and how new home performance compares to 2006 efficiency levels.