House Bill 2324

AN ACT

Amending Section 34-451, Arizona Revised Statutes; Relating to Energy Conservation.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 34-451, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

A. The department of commerce in consultation with persons responsible for building systems shall adopt and publish energy conservation standards for construction of all new capital projects as defined in section 41-790, including buildings designed and constructed by school districts, community college districts and universities. These standards shall be consistent with the recommended energy conservation standards of the American society of heating, refrigerating, and air conditioning engineers and the international conference of building officials ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE.
B. The standards shall be promulgated to achieve energy conservation and shall allow for design flexibility.
C. THE FOLLOWING STATE AGENCIES AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS SHALL REDUCE ENERGY USE IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS THAT THEY ADMINISTER BY TEN PER CENT PER SQUARE FOOT OF FLOOR AREA ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2008 AND BY FIFTEEN PER CENT PER SQUARE FOOT OF FLOOR AREA ON OR BEFORE JULY 1, 2011, USING JULY 1, 2001 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2002 AS THE BASELINE YEAR:
   1. THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS BUILDING SYSTEMS.
   2. THE ARIZONA BOARD OF REGENTS FOR ITS BUILDING SYSTEMS.
   3. THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ITS BUILDING SYSTEMS.
   4. THE CHANCELLOR OR PRESIDENT OF EACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT FOR ITS BUILDING SYSTEMS.
D. THE STATE ENERGY OFFICE SHALL PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE STATE AGENCIES AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION. ON OR BEFORE JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR, THE STATE ENERGY OFFICE SHALL MEASURE COMPLIANCE WITH SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION, COMPILE THE RESULTS OF THAT MONITORING AND REPORT TO THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AS TO THE PROGRESS OF ATTAINING THE GOALS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION. THE STATE ENERGY OFFICE SHALL INCLUDE IN ITS REPORT AN EXPLANATION OF THE REASONS FOR ANY FAILURE TO ACHIEVE ENERGY REDUCTIONS IN SPECIFIC BUILDING SYSTEMS AS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION.
E. ALL STATE AGENCIES SHALL PROCURE ENERGY EFFICIENT PRODUCTS THAT ARE CERTIFIED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OR THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AS ENERGY STAR OR THAT ARE CERTIFIED UNDER THE FEDERAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IN ALL CATEGORIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE UNLESS THE PRODUCTS ARE SHOWN NOT TO BE COST-EFFECTIVE ON A LIFE CYCLE COST BASIS.