

DHCD, DBFR 2009 Code Change Process

December 7, 2009 Meeting Agenda Package

Workgroup 3 - USBC/International Residential Code - IRC

1. Introductions
2. ICC 2009 IRC results
3. Review positions of stakeholders for mandating sprinklers in townhomes and for retaining as an option with a discussion of code changes being proposed.
4. New information, code changes and discussion of fire data and survey on past 31/2 years on fire deaths in detached homes or townhomes and the age of the homes.
5. Upcoming code regulatory cycle for 2010.
6. Request for stakeholders to provide written comment on how their position will reduce deaths, injuries and property damage over the next 10, 20 or 30 years and the cost based on a reduction of 50% in deaths within 10 years (2020) and 75% within 20 years (2030). If you want to use other goals please feel free to do so. Some factors to consider should include the VDFP 10 year fire data for IRC homes as a baseline; the number of existing detached/attached 1&2 family homes in Virginia from the 2000 US Census; the number of IRC homes built year on average that attempts to break down into detached and townhomes; and, other pertinent data to bolster your case. The information would be useful to have presented to the staff and the BHCD by their January 25th public hearing. However, DHCD will convene another meeting in late March of 2010.
7. New business
8. Future meetings