

1 H BILL NO. 255  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Conroy, P. R. Hansen*  
 3 *Headler, Ude, Country, O'Connell, Almus, Holmes*  
 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: *Sully, Harms, Band*  
 5 "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION *Sully*  
 6 69-2110, R.C.M. 1947, TO REQUIRE THE STATE BUILDING CODE TO  
 7 SET STANDARDS ASSURING ACCESSIBILITY BY HANDICAPPED AND  
 8 ELDERLY PEOPLE TO BUILDINGS DESIGNED PRIMARILY FOR USE BY  
 9 THE PUBLIC AND TO THE FACILITIES WITHIN THOSE BUILDINGS."  
 10 *Orpin, Harold Vincent*

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:  
 12 Section 1. Section 69-2110, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to  
 13 read as follows:

14 \*69-2110. Purposes of state building code. The state  
 15 building code shall be designed to effectuate the general  
 16 purposes of this chapter and the following specific  
 17 objectives and standards to:

18 (1) provide reasonably uniform standards and  
 19 requirements for construction and construction materials  
 20 consonant with accepted standards of design, engineering,  
 21 and fire prevention practices;

22 (2) permit to the fullest extent feasible the use of  
 23 modern technical methods, devices, and improvements which  
 24 tend to reduce the cost of construction consistent with  
 25 reasonable requirements for the health and safety of the  
 occupants or users of buildings and consistent with the

1 conservation of energy by design requirements and criteria  
 2 that will result in the efficient utilization of energy,  
 3 whether used directly or in a refined form, in buildings;

4 (3) eliminate restrictive, obsolete, conflicting, and  
 5 unnecessary building regulations and requirements which tend  
 6 to increase unnecessarily construction costs or retard  
 7 unnecessarily the use of proven new materials which have  
 8 been found adequate through experience or testing, or  
 9 provide unwarranted preferential treatment to types or  
 10 classes of materials or products or methods of construction;

11 (4) ensure that buildings constructed with public  
 12 funds or designed primarily for use by the public are  
 13 accessible to and functional for physically handicapped  
 14 and elderly persons where practicable and feasible;

15 (5) encourage efficiencies of design and insulation  
 16 which enable buildings to be heated in the winter with the  
 17 least possible quantities of energy and to be kept cool in  
 18 the summer without air conditioning equipment or with the  
 19 least possible use of such equipment; and

20 (6) encourage efficiencies and criteria directed  
 21 toward design of building envelopes with high thermal  
 22 resistance and low air leakage and toward requiring  
 23 practices in the design and selection of mechanical,  
 24 electrical, and illumination systems which promote the  
 25 efficient use of energy."

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