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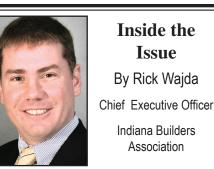
Benefits available to members of the Indiana Builders Association

Out with the old and in with the new

014 has drawn to a close and hopefully, everyone is excited for a prosperous 2015. At the time of print, we are about a month away

from getting the final numbers on single-family building permits for the state of Indiana, but by all indications, we will finish the year close to the same level as 2013. However, many markets across the state have seen a steady increase in activity in the second half of the year and I am optimistic that 2015 will show some growth in the single-family sector.

The Indiana Builders Association Board of Directors wrapped up the year in December with its annual election of officers and awards presentation. Congratulations to all the award winners and thank you to



all the members who volunteered to serve on a committee in 2014. You are the lifeblood of the organization and without your dedication to affordable housing in Indiana; the IBA would not be the force that it is.

Also, a big thanks goes out to every mem-

ber who donated to IBA's Political Action Committee, the Association to Build a Better Indiana (ABBI) in 2014. Your political contributions go towards electing and reelecting statewide office holders and members of the Indiana General Assembly who understand the importance of affordable housing at all price points. To that end, the industry is fortunate to have five members of the association serving in the Indiana General Assembly, three of which who serve on the IBA Board of Directors.

As we welcome in the New Year, please help us to make Indiana and the housing industry across the state the best it can be. We need your help as members of the association to engage in the efforts of the organization to make sure our voice



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is heard on issues of interest to affordable housing. The Indiana General Assembly will convene in early January and begin deliberations on crafting a new two-year state budget, as well as over 1000 pieces of legislation. Many of these bills will impact our industry and economic development across the state. Please take the time to review our Legislative and Regulatory Report that goes out to the membership via email every Friday the Legislature is in session. If you have specific comments, concerns, or feedback regarding a piece of legislation, please let us know. We are a membership organization and rely on your input as we take a position, positive or negative, on certain pieces of legislation.

I would also invite every member to get involved at the local, state and national levels with your association. We have numerous opportunities at every level of the federation to participate, whether you are a builder, remodeler, developer, or supplier to the housing industry. Various committees are in place to help facilitate discussion on a myriad of issues impacting our industry. Let us know if you are interested, we can always use the help!

On a final note, please spread the word on the good work the Association is doing for you and your business with your peers. Membership is the lifeblood of any organization and the more members we have, the stronger our voice is with local leaders, statewide officials, and leaders in Washington, DC.

Let's make 2015 a great year and the beginning of a sustained, vibrant housing industry for years to come.

Do we have your e-mail?

hen a member joins a local builders association, they automatically become members of the Indiana Builders Association (IBA) and the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

E-mail has become the most efficient way for all tiers of the builders associations to correspond with members.

Make sure you have an accurate e-mail on file with your local builders association so that you receive correspondence from your local, state, and national builders associations in a timely manner. Unless you opt out, your local builders association should put your e-mail into the NAHB WMS system which allows NAHB and IBA to e-mail you with important information.

Your builders associations take your privacy very seriously and only e-mail you pertinent information. You may opt out of receiving e-mails at any time.

If you are not receiving e-mails from IBA which would have a ...@BuildIndiana.org e-mail address, please e-mail Cindy @BuildIndiana.org or call the IBA office at 800-377-6334 ext. 203.

For 24 hour access to all of IBA's benefits visit www.BuildIndiana.org.

Changes to OSHA recordkeeping and reporting rules enforced March 1

he U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) announced a final rule requiring all employers covered by the Occupational Safety and Health Act to comply with OSHA's new severe injury and illness reporting requirements. The new



Codes Corner By Carlie Hopper Regulatory Affairs Director, Indiana Builders Association

rule for reporting requirements goes into effect for federal OSHA jurisdiction on January 1, 2015; however, Indiana OSHA will begin enforcing this requirement in Indiana on or after March 1, 2015.

IBA Safety Committee Chairman Greg Gerbers reached out to Darby Reagan Miller, Public Relations Specialist with the Indiana Department of Labor, to find out more about the new requirements. Miller said "Understanding and properly applying these new rules is critical to ensuring your business remains in compliance with the OSHA's recordkeeping standards." Miller provided the following questions and answers to assist IBA members with the new recordkeeping and reporting requirements.

What is the new requirement?

* All businesses, regardless of size or industry category, are required to report a workplace fatality to OSHA within 8 hours - this portion of the rule has not changed.

* All businesses must report an in-patient hospitalization to OSHA within 24 hours in the past this only applied if three or more employees were hospitalized.

* All businesses must report work-related amputations to OSHA within 24 hours this is a new requirement.

* All businesses must report the loss of an eye to OSHA within 24 hours - this is a new requirement.

Why is the law changing?

The new rule will help better ensure OSHA receives critical reports and information on worker fatalities and severe work-related injuries and illnesses. The new data will help OSHA identify workplaces where workers are at greater risk. This information will help target compliance assistance and enforcement resources more appropriately.

What if my business is exempt from maintaining the OSHA 300 Log?

Even if a business is not required to maintain OSHA 300/300A logs, whether that is due to size or being part of a generally exempted industry, that business still must report fatalities, amputations, eye losses and in-patient hospitalizations to IOSHA within the established time frame. Exempt businesses have always been required to make fatality and catastrophe reports to IOSHA, and this new rule occupies the same space.

Do I have to report every hospital visit?

No. If an employee is not admitted or only brought in for observation or testing, and no treatment is provided, that visit does not need to be immediately reported to IOSHA.

How do I report an incident? * If it is during normal business hours,

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* If you are reporting after business hours, call the 24-hour OSHA hotline at 1-800-321-6742.

Who can help me with the new rules?

Help is available by contacting the Indiana Department of Labor's training and assistance division, INSafe, by either calling

(317) 232-2688 to speak with a consultant or by emailing insafe@dol.in.gov.

Compliance assistance resources may

also be found at OSHA's 2014 recordkeeping page online at www.osha.gov/recordkeeping2014/ or by visiting the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) webpage at www. osha.gov/recordkeeping/faq_search.

Employers may also request a free workplace safety or health consultation from INSafe by completing and submitting the form available online at www.in.gov/dol/ insaferequest. IBA members receive priority in scheduling a consultation as part of IBA's Alliance with the Indiana Department of Labor.

IBA offers fully insured health insurance program to members



Contact an insurance agent listed if you are a builder, remodeler, subcontractor or provide a product or service that is included in the certificate of occupancy and would like to find out if you can offer a quality, fully-insured health insurance program (Anthem) to your employees at a reasonable cost.

Ask the agent to consider your company for the Indiana Builders Association Health Insurance Program.

he Indiana Builders Association (IBA) has partnered with Association Insurance Partners to bring a health insurance program to our membership. The Indiana Employers Trust is operational.

This product is medically underwritten and fully insured by Anthem. It offers coverage utilizing the BlueCard network just like products currently offered by Anthem. There are 12 benefit designs across a wide range of deductibles, drug cards and high deductible health plans, all of which meet or exceed Bronze-level coverage.

The Indiana Employers Trust will give member firms the opportunity to possibly realize lower health insurance rates due to several factors, the most important of which is the aggregation of like industry companies into a larger group, creating buying power and spreading the risk of a few amongst many.

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The Indiana Builders Association, Inc. (IBA) is a resource for our members, the general public, elected officials and regulatory bodies; we exist to maintain and develop workable and affordable regulations and laws that enable the citizens of Indiana to own a home.

IBA is an advocate of safe and affordable housing for all Hoosiers. IBA members accomplish this by operating competitive businesses that serve to keep costs low while maintaining a high level of quality.

Each year presents a new opportunity for IBA and its members to maintain the success achieved in prior years, and reach for everincreasing levels of success in the future.

By The Numbers illustrates initiatives that we have been engaged in during the recent past and the value that IBA directly provides to its members through public advocacy, political action and member services.

\$2,301

The average dollar amount saved in property taxes per unit claimed by IBA members under the Model Home and Spec. Home Acts. During the three years the law has been in effect, Indiana home builders have claimed more than 770 Model and Spec Home Act property tax deductions. Builders can claim a deduction on up to 6 homes under both of those acts.

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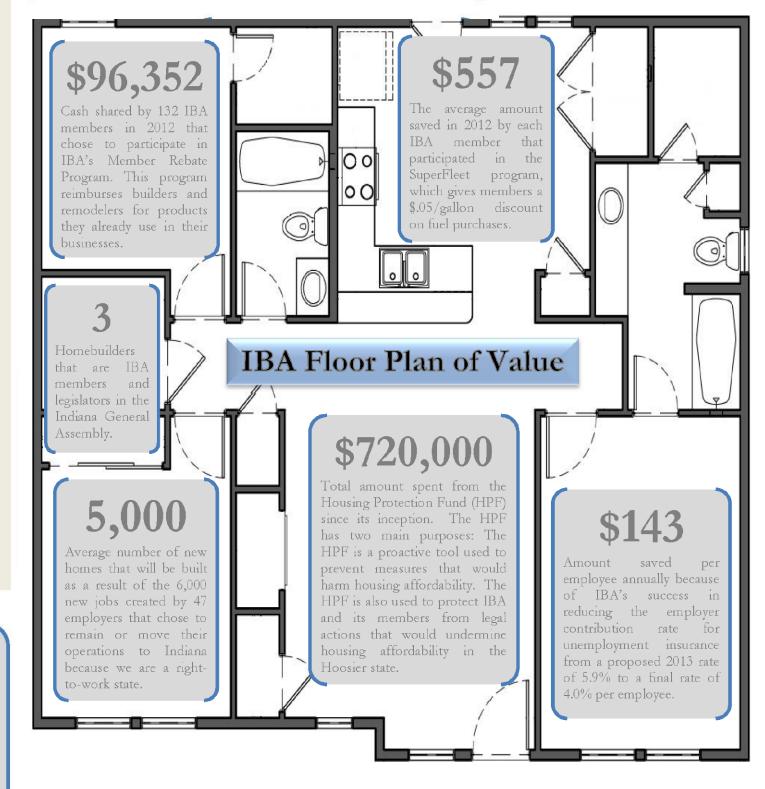
By The Numbers

\$300

The minimum amount in your pocket as a result of IBA successfully supporting legislation in 2013 creating a 2+ year moratorium on any city or town ordinances that would require builders and remodelers to get a license or register before working in the city or town. Current local licensing can cost over \$300 annually per contractor in each city and town that requires it. These savings could easily reach and even exceed \$1,000 in cases where multiple licenses or registrations would have been required.

\$5,893

The average cost of a residential fire sprinkler system in new home construction - the cost balloons to \$13,000 in rural areas not served by municipal water. Fire sprinkler advocates continue to push for mandatory fire sprinkler installation in every home. Industry experts estimate that 31,000 to \$1,000 Indiana households will be priced out of the market for a new home if the price of a new home increases by \$6,000 to \$13,000. IBA has worked hard to fight the fire sprinkler mandate so homeowners continue to have the right to choose whether or not to install a system. IBA supports public health strategies to increase awareness about the installation and maintenance of smoke alarms in all homes rather than mandating fire sprinkler systems.



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IBA's Housing Protection Fund works to the benefit of IBA members

am always amazed at the level of foresight our leaders possess when it comes to direction of the association and the residential construction industry as a whole. The IBA has been a leader across the country in many areas of governmental and regulatory activities. Our committee process



Inside the Issue By Rick Wajda Chief Executive Officer Indiana Builders Association

and Board of Directors are not afraid to take on the big issues and they understand the importance of looking forward and not necessarily dwelling on the past.

The Board of Directors created the Indiana Builders Association Legal Defense Fund in the fall of 1996 to assist members and local associations dealing with increased attacks on affordable housing in Indiana. These attacks came in the form of illegal impact fees, exclusionary zoning issues, comprehensive land use planning issues, subdivision control issues, sign ordinances, and other issues negatively impacting housing affordability across the state.

A Legal Defense Fund was established and funded with a \$20 per member, per year assessment.

Trustees of the Fund in the early days saw numerous requests for assistance in combating excessive tap fees, illegal impact fees and engaging in legal action on housing related issues. The Trustees were engaged in activi-

ties in all corners of the state, and they were building a big war chest in the process. Their mission was clear, protection of the housing industry and keeping housing affordable for Hoosier homeowners.

As the balance on the Fund continued to grow, the demands on the Fund did as well. The Board of Trustees ultimately changed the name of the Fund to the IBA Housing Protection Fund in 2000. The Fund was now used not only to help defray the staggering litigation costs of builders and developers litigating a case of statewide significance to the housing industry or which had the potential for positive impact on an issue of particular interest to the housing industry, but it was also used to take a more proactive role in affecting legislation and public policy favorable to the housing industry. Over the years, the Indiana Builders Association's Housing Protection Fund has provided an invaluable resource to members and the general public by helping keep housing affordable in Indiana. To date, the Fund has engaged in over 70 various causes and lawsuits, some on the reactive level, and many on a proactive front, with total expensed allocations exceeding \$650,000.

We were successful in many lawsuits including the Twin Eagles wetlands case, and Zionsville impact fee case where builders were refunded over \$350,000 in illegally collected park impact fees. The Fund has engaged on a proactive front in numerous causes as well, including the Indiana Water Quality Coalition, property tax caps, and a recent zoning ordinance rewrite in LaPorte County, among others.

The Board of Trustees meets on a quarterly basis to discuss funding requests and to review current projects. Please feel free to contact me at Rick@buildindiana.org for an application and guidelines on submitting a request for funding from the Housing Protection Fund.

Committees Help Build a Great Association!

Please mark the committee(s) and council(s) you are interested in join	ning (rank your interests if you do not wish to serve on more than one.)
Associates Committee: Provides associate members with a networking tool to support, strengthen, and advance our association and the home building industry. Staff: Cindy Bussell Codes Committee: Code experts from around the state convene to discuss the latest developments in building codes. The committee recommends policy to the Board that helps IBA to be proactive with the state building commissioner's office relative to the adoption and implementation of codes. Staff: Carlie Hopper Rural On-Site Wastewater Subcommittee: Monitors regulations concerning rural wastewater issues across the state. Staff: Carlie Hopper Mechanic's Lien: Works on issues involving mechanic's lien. Staff: Tom Havens Ing initiatives. Staff: Comprised of remodelers, is unified representation to serve the professional remodeler while providing information and education. Staff: Tom Havens Executive Committee: Conducts the affairs of the Association in accordance with the By-Laws, policies, and instructions of the Board. Policy and steering committee of the Association Staff: Tok Waida & Cindy Bussell Investment Policy Committee: Reviews the reserve funds of IBA and establishes investments to adhere to the highest possible yield at the lowest possible risk. Staff: Cindy Bussell Convention ExploratoryCommittee: Monitor and recommend, when appropriate, reinstating IBA's Convention. 2015 Committee & Council Sign-Up Form	OSHA Safety Committee: Consults with INSafe to develop a strategic training plan and participate in the delivery of current safety group-wide training programs. Straff: Carlie Hopper Strategic Plan Committee: Develops and monitors strategic plan. Staff: Cindy Bussell & Rick Wajda Golf Committee: Produces the annual state golf outing that is designed to raise funds for Indiana to meet its NAHB Build-PAC fund raising goal. Staff: H. Sturgeon Housing Protection Fund: Protects the industry and the affordability of housing. Carefully crafts strategy for legal defense. Staff: Rick Wajda Cassful Use Committee: Land developers compare successful strategies from their projects. Competitive guards are relaxed as colleagues network with each other in this intensely regulated business. Staff: Rick Wajda Professional Designation Committee: Implements Designation program. Staff: Carlie Hopper Membership Committee: Join IBA's team of members who recruit new members into the association. Staff: Cindy Bussell IBA's Educational Scholarship Foundation: Awards schoaships and raises funds. Staff: Cindy Bussell Insurance Task Force: Review and recommend insurance programs as possible member benefits. Staff: Cindy Bussell Finance Committee: Studies the finances of the Association, and makes recommendations of financial policy to the Executive Committee and and of Directors. This committee also prepares the annual budget. Staff: C. Bussell Multi-FamilyTask Force: Activate to review multi-family issues when necessary. Staff: Rick Wajda
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ALL IBA MEMBERS SHOULD REGISTER! It is likely you

have employees residing and voting in areas you do business, and keeping them up-to-date and informed about candidates and issues in their communities creates a stronger voting block for the industry. After you sign up, encourage your employees to register also!

Easy 3-Step

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1. Visit IBA's website: http://www.BuildIndiana. org/VoterVoice.htm - Click on the voterVoice logo.

2. Click on 'New users click here'. Returning users can log in here, as well.



3. Fill out the short user profile and follow the instructions.

What is voterVoice?

voterVoice is your quick and easy means to communicate with elected officials on both your personal and industry issues.

voterVoice will select your elected officials from your business and home address information. In addition to personally contacting your officials, you will receive alerts from IBA so your voice can be heard on industry issues.

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Or fill out the form online by visiting

IBA's Web site: www.BuildIndiana. org/VoterVoice.htm

Questions? Call Carlie at (800) 377-6334 ext. 206 or e-mail Carlie@BuildIndiana.org

2015 State Membership Benefits Resource Guide

Indiana Builders Association LEGISLATIVE GUIDE



Who We Are

The Indiana Builders Association is a



statewide trade organization representing Indiana's home building, remodeling and light commercial construction industry. Established in 1952, IBA has 27 local affiliates organized into nine geographic areas across Indiana. IBA, along with its affiliates, are associated with the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.

Our Mission

The Indiana Builders Association works to educate its members, the general public, elected officials and regulatory bodies to maintain and develop workable and affordable regulations and laws that enable the citizens of Indiana to own a home.

Our Members

The construction industry plays a large role in keeping the economy in Indiana moving forward. The Indiana Builders Association is the country's 16th largest statewide home building trade association, representing more than 3,000 member companies. IBA members are organized into two groups: builders and associates. Builder members include: custom builders, small, medium, and large volume production builders, as well as multi-family, light commercial, remodelers and developers. Associate members provide essential home building industry services and products, and support IBA's mission and goals. Associate members include: architects, attorneys, bankers, building suppliers, engineers, interior designers, lenders, subcontractors and real estate professionals.

Priority Issues Affecting Home Builders

During the 2015 Legislative Session, lawmakers will debate many issues affecting Indiana's home building industry. IBA's Governmental Affairs team will closely monitor the following priority issues to foster growth in Indiana and to protect our members ability to provide safe and affordable housing for Hoosiers.

Sales Tax on Services

The state gross retail tax (i.e., sales tax) in Indiana currently applies to retail transactions involving the exchange of tangible property (i.e., sale of goods). The provision of services or labor, with few exceptions, is exempt from Indiana's sales tax. A proposal likely will be introduced during the 2015 legislative session that would assess a sales tax on services - potentially in exchange for a reduced overall sales tax rate. For instance, the current 7% state sales tax rate assessed exclusively on the sale of goods may be reduced to 4.5% on the sale of both goods and services.

Such a proposal would be problematic as it creates a new tax and will ultimately increase the price of housing in Indiana. From the attorney that handles zoning issues, to the plumber that installs the kitchen sink, or even the contractor who builds a new home for a fixed percentage fee - all are services that could be subject to sales tax if a new tax on services is enacted and all are part of the cost basis of a new home; and as costs increase, so do prices

Any discussion on establishing a new sales tax on services should also involve a simultaneous consideration of eliminating another meaningful tax - but potentially more volatile and unreliable one - such as the state income tax. That way, the state could achieve more stability in tax collection receipts, and businesses and consumers would have more discretionary funds to pay the higher price for the goods and services they consume as a result of the new sales tax on services.

Fire Sprinklers

The Indiana Builders Association opposes mandating the installation of fire sprinkler systems in one-and two-family dwellings and townhouses because it is not a cost-effective safety improvement over smoke alarms. Almost two-thirds of home fire deaths resulted from fires in properties without working smoke alarms. Fire sprinkler installation costs vary significantly, \$2.66/ sq. ft.-\$6.88/ sq. ft., depending on a home's location, layout, number of stories and access to water. Between 31,000 and 81,000 Indiana households will be priced out of the market for a new home if the price of a new home increases by \$5,000-\$13,000, which is the estimated cost to insall a fire sprinkler system. IBA supports programs that encourage the installation and maintenance of smoke alarms rather than measures to mandate fire sprinkler systems

Contractor Registry

Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller plans to introduce a vol-untary contractor registry in Indiana in response to complaints his office received regarding home improvement contractors. The registry would be voluntary and would require the home improvement contractor to post a performance bond to cover the cost of any incomplete or potentially even substandard work. IBA's concerns with the registry are as follows

Becomes a de facto requirement to register to remain competitive because consumers would screen out contractors that are not listed on the registry.

Increase the cost of remodeling projects because remodelers who want to be included on the registry would be required to purchase a performance bond, possibly for each project, at an average cost of 1% to 3% of the total project amount; however, rates can increase to as much as 5% upwards of 20% for contractors that have a below average credit rating. For example, if a contractor completes \$1 million worth of remodeling work in a year, they can expect to payout an additional \$10,000 to \$200,000 just to be registered with the AG.

Harm competition because newer or smaller contractors may not be able to afford the added cost of performance bonds, especially if they are forced to pay a higher percentage rate for bonds than more established or bigger contractors

Increase the number of consumer complaints to the AG's office if consumers use it as the default method for dispute resolution.

Patent Trolls

The American Enterprise Institute defines a patent troll as "a person or company who enforces patent rights against accused infringers in an attempt to collect licensing fees, but does not manufacture products or supply services based upon the patents in question, thus engaging in economic rent-seeking.

Patent trolls are continuously expanding their reach into new industries, and the home building industry is no exception. Patent trolls frequently target small businesses with letters demanding they pay a license fee and sometimes a penalty for using or infringing upon a patent the troll owns (many times without even providing any proof that a patent has been infringed).

Indiana can protect small business owners by making sure that patent trolls avoid preying on Indiana businesses while at the same time ensuring that patent owners who exercise their rights in good faith are able to do so uninhibited

Overview of Issues Affecting Home Builders

Economic Development

- Impact Fees
- Foreclosure Issues
- Homeowners Associations
- Contractor Licensing
- Home Inspectors
- Mechanic's Lien
- Home Warranties
- Performance & Mainte-
- nance Bonds

Taxation

- Property Tax Caps
- Model/Speculative
- Home Exemption
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- Building Code Mandates

- Building Plan Review &

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- Design Release Standards



From the IBA Board of Directors Meeting



IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP (right) presents Life Director status to Joe Anderson of Terre Haute at the recent meeting. Anderson is owner of Joe Anderson Builders and the 2014 President of the HBA of Greater Terre Haute. He received the status upon attending his 40th State Board meeting as a Director.



Over 130 members attended the recent IBA Board of Directors meeting



Builder and Associate Area Vice Presidents were thanked for their service at the recent meeting (left to right): Ryan Baker, Builder AVP and Land Use Committee Chairman; Greg Gerbers, Associate AVP and OSHA Committee Chairman; Jim Klotz, Builder AVP; Hal Kemmerer, Associate AVP; Tina Bernacchi, Builder AVP; Brett Harter, Builder AVP; Tim Eckert, Associate AVP, Associates and Membership Co-Chairman; State Representative Heath VanNatter, Builder AVP; Dan Losekamp, Builder AVP; Pat Richard, CGP, Builder AVP; and Trent Hunt, Associate AVP. (Not pictured): Tom Fuller, Builder AVP; Jeff Hatfield, Builder AVP; and Tom Slater, Associate AVP and Associate Nat. Director.



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IBA President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP, (right) congratulates and presents Kurt Jones, Jones & Sons in Terrre Haute, IBA's Don Cassidy Sr. Associate of the Year award for 2014. Jones has served on the Boards of his local association and the IBA. He has been an Alternate National Director and Golf Chairman. In 2011 he received his local association's Associate of the Year award. He holds the ACI Concrete Field Testing Technician certification.



John Hill, Governor Pence's Deputy Chief of Staff of Public Safety, spoke to the IBA Board of Directors recently. He updated the Board on the status of the modifications to the Indiana Department of Fire and Building Services Codes Department.



Joe Damo, a representative with Security 1 Lending, updated the IBA Board of Directors on the new guidelines for reverse mortgages and reminded the directors to let their members know of this opportunity to provide financing for buyers.



From the IBA Board of Directors Meeting



The John C. Hart Presidential Award, named after a legend and the highest degree of long-range commitment and dedication in service to this industry, was presented to Mike Bell (left) by IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP. Having been in the industry for nearly 33 years, Bell learned about the business by working with his uncle, who was a builder, and his grandfather, who was a master carpenter. He served as President of his local builders association. He has received honors of being named "Member of the Year" and "Remodeler of the Year" by his local hba. He is the second builder in IBA history to attain the Graduate Master Builder designation. He is a past winner of the individual state membership contest and currently is the 11th highest Spike in Indiana history, recording over 347 Spike credits. He is a Life Director of the IBA State Board and a National Director on the NAHB Board. He is a past state president. He currently serves as the NAHB Area 9 Vice Chairman for Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan. He is owner and founder of Bell Construction.



IBA welcomes two new Local Executive Officers Dayna Marcum (St. Joseph Valley) and Kay Miller (Marshall County).



Two presidential citations were presented to Rick (left) and Dayle Jenkins by IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP. During Mullen's presentation of the awards he commented, "When IBA needed a golf course donated and assistance with the August Board meeting last minute, these two individuals jumped right in." Dayle was thanked for her generous contribution of time and talent hosting the August state Board session. Rick was honored for his generosity and contribution of the golf course to support the state builders association and the NAHB Build-PAC.



IBA Chief Operating Officer Cindy Bussell, MA, (left) thanks national speaker Bev Koehn for presenting leadership strategies to IBA's incoming leaders.



IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP, transfers the gavel to IBA's 2015 President Linda Rogers.



Committee chairpersons recognized at the recent Board of Directors meeting are (left to right): Dennis Spidel, Remodelers Chairman; Ryan Downey, Local Presidents' Council Chairman; State Representative Doug Miller, GMB, CGB, CGP, CAPS, Membership Co-Chairman; Vicky Gadd, Local Executive Officers' Council Chairwoman; Jeff Loucks, CGB, CGP, CAPS, Green Building Committee Chairman; Lynn Madden, Codes Committee Chairwoman; Mike Hannigan, Jr., Builders/Bankers Roundtable and By-Laws Task Force Chairman; and Sarah Huff, Convention Exploratory Committee Chairwoman. (Not pictured): David Compton, Housing Protection Fund Chairman and Steve Schreckengast, Insurance Task Force Chairman.



Mike Hannigan, Jr. (left) was bestowed with a Presidential Citation for his extraordinary support of IBA's projects and spearheading the update of IBA's By-Laws. Hannigan has held almost every position and every membership in IBA having been a Builder member, Associate member, and Developer member. He is a Senior Life Director and past state president of the IBA Board.





Sheila Hurst was presented a Presidential Citation by IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP. He applauded her dedication to the IBA over the years in providing one of IBA's great member benefits, the Speedway Gas Program. She was recognized for always being at the events making sure every IBA member is receiving the quality service she expects from her company.

Doug Dillion (center) is presented with a Presidential Award by IBA's 2014 President Tom Mullen, MIRM, CMP, CGB, CGP, and his wife, Sarah Huff. Dillion received the honor for his incredible mind, along with his incredible follow-through in being instrumental in bringing attention to careers in the home building industry and his extraordinary support of workforce development for the housing industry and for IBA.

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The value of being a good winner

• We did it! We won! In your face losers," says little Johnny!

"Why are we losers," the

other team asks?

"Why are you losers?...I'll tell you why," little Johnny says. "Because you lost and we won, that's why! And there can only be one winner, and that winner is us!"

This was an actual conversation (slightly paraphrased) I overheard between two eight year old kids after one of my son's soccer games this past fall. Fortunately, my son was not one of the eight year old's in question (I'll credit that to good parenting - and I can do that because this is my article, and there's no comments section at the end for my kids to rebut). Unfortunately, however, my son overheard that very same conversation - which resulted in me spending the next 30 minutes explaining (actually, re-explaining) what it means to be a good winner. Looking back on that conversation, I think a lot of similarities can be drawn between the conversation I had with my son and the way IBA approaches governmental affairs at the statehouse.



Good winners understand that winning is more than just showing up on game day: it is a lot of planning, preparation and hard work.

Good winners appreciate every victory: they understand that prior victories offer no guarantee of future success.

Good winners don't always win the competition, but they nevertheless remain good winners because they don't give up and know how to rebound from a loss.

Good winners respect their competitors: congratulating them when they win, and wishing them the best of luck when they lose.

Good winners can be ultra-competitive,

but they play by the rules.

Good winners understand that just because the other side loses does not mean they didn't invest just as much effort, or maybe even more, in trying to win.

Good winners don't spend time inflating their ego or sense of self-worth by bragging to others about how great they are; they let others draw their own conclusion from the tangible results that can only come from unrelenting hard work and dedication to a cause they believe in.

Because of these virtues, people oftentimes want to associate and work with people whom they consider to be good winners. Neither Little Johnny nor his parents get it. But my son does, and I believe IBA does too.

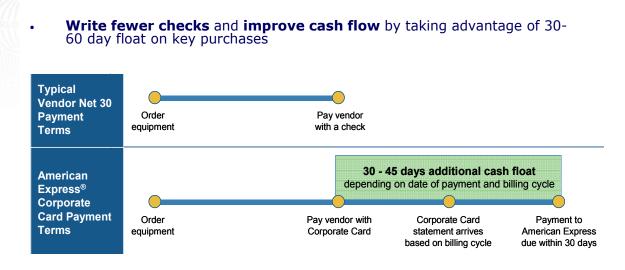
Make no mistake, results do matter and winning is important. And even good winners don't enjoy losing. But what separates a good winner from a bad one, at least in my view, is exercising humility regardless of whether you win or lose. Over the years, IBA has won some battles and lost others. We have worked with legislators on some issues and opposed them on others. We have aligned ourselves with other trade associations on certain proposals, and fought tooth-and-nail on others. But when the political dust settles, we all remain friends regardless of which side of the debate we were on. And this is an important point that can be overlooked at times.

While we may not scream from the mountaintops every time we are met with success, that doesn't mean that success came easy. What it does mean is that we, as an association, understand what it means to be a good winner. We don't gloat upon every victory or wallow in self-pity when things don't go our way, but we do take pride in the diligence and hard work we invest regardless of the outcome. We respect the fact that legislators and lobbyists may not always agree with us on every issue, but that doesn't stop us from being friends and working together on issues upon which we agree.

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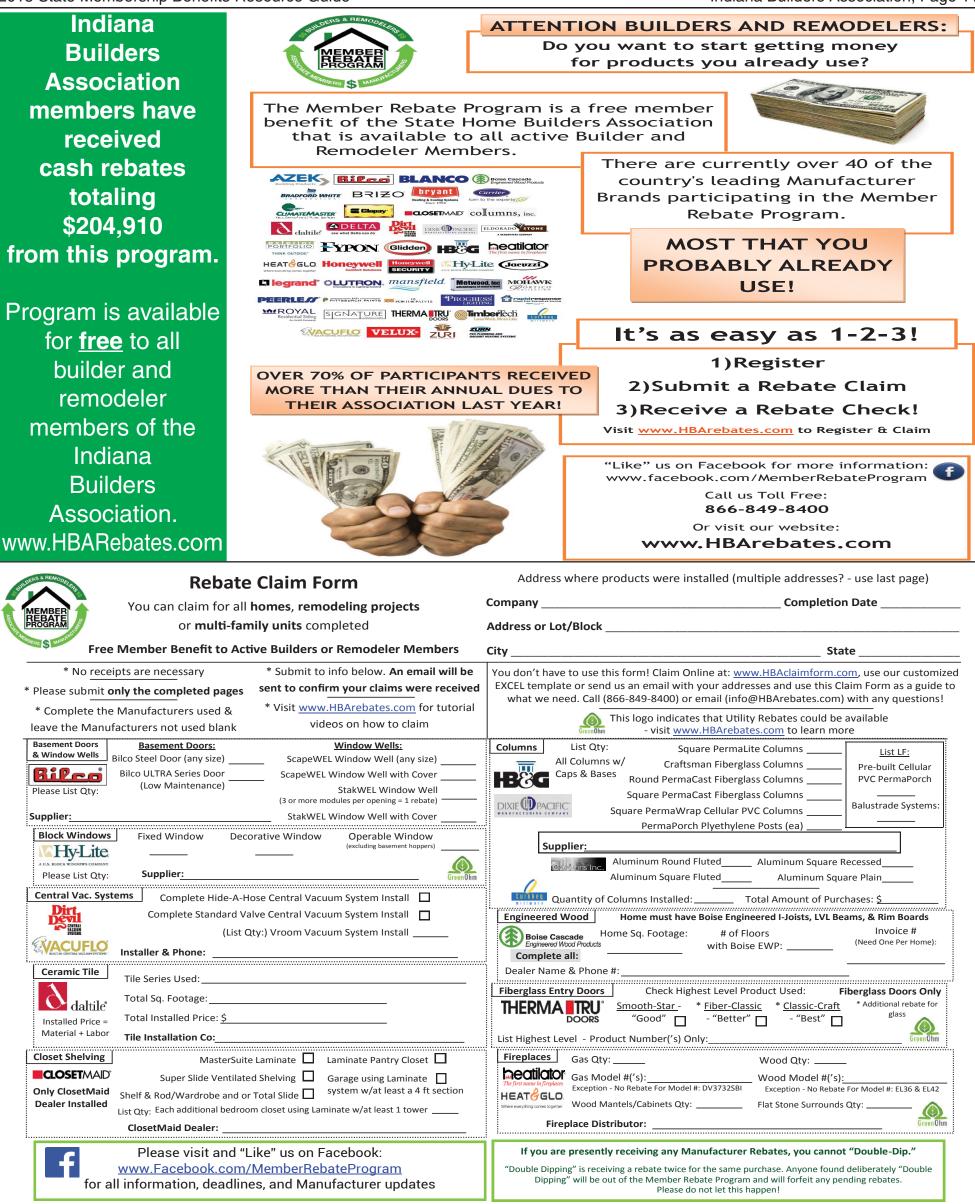
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Building code dispute? We have a solution

he energy efficiency requirements for one-and two-family dwellings and townhouses became effective in 2012. During the past few years, home builders and building officials have struggled with compliance and enforcement. Whether it is the new energy efficiency requirements or other areas of the code that home builders and building officials may not see eye to eye on, you should know there is an avenue for settling your disagreements.

Code Interpretations by the Building Law Compliance Officer

Indiana Code 22-13-5 grants the Building Law Compliance Officer (formerly known as the Building Commissioner) in the Indiana Department of Homeland Security the authority to interpret a building law or a fire safety law.

These interpretations may be issued upon the written request of an interested person, which refers to a person that has a dispute with a county or a municipality regarding the interpretation of a building law or a fire safety law.

Further, the Building Law Compliance Officer may issue a written interpretation of a building law or fire safety law whether or not the county or municipality has taken any action to enforce the building law or fire safety law. This means a home builder does not have to wait to be red tagged before requesting a written interpretation.

Finally, a written interpretation binds the interested person and the county or municipality with whom the interested person has the dispute until the written interpretation is overruled by the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission. A written interpretation of a building law or fire safety law binds all counties and municipalities if the Building Law Compliance Officer publishes the written interpretation of the building law or fire safety law in the Indiana Register.

Requesting a Code Interpretation

To assure the Building Law Compliance Officer has the information necessary to issue a written interpretation, please include the following information in your written



request:

* Name and contact information of the builder (or remodeler, architect, engineer, etc.);

* Name and contact information of the county or municipality in which the project is constructed;

* Problem or concern and identify the specific section(s) of the Code for which the written interpretation is requested; and * All documents that are referenced should be included with the request, in addition to any other information that could assist the Building Law Compliance Officer in reaching a decision.

Please submit your written request to Dean Illingworth, Building Law Compliance Officer, at 302 West Washington St Room E241, Indianapolis, IN 46204 or dillingworth@ dhs.in.gov. Be sure to copy me on your submission at Carlie@Build Indiana.org.

The Building Law Compliance Officer will research the applicable codes and send a written response to the requestor. While statute does not specify the turnaround time for receiving a response, Illingworth has expressed to IBA staff that he understands the need for prompt replies to requests for a written interpretation and that he will make every effort to render such within two weeks of receipt.

View Code Interpretations

Non-rule policy documents/interpretations of the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission's rules are posted at: http://www.in.gov/dhs/3780.htm and can also be found on the Indiana Register at http://www.in.gov/legislative/register/irtoc. htm.

Have a Code Question? Call the Indiana Builders Association Carlie Hopper Regulatory Affairs Director, Indiana Builders Association 1-800-377-6334 ext. 206 or

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code or standard adopted by the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission.

A decision made by the Commission is specific to the project. Additional projects, even those based on the same facts, require an applicant to file another application for variance.

There are costs associated with the variance application process. Members should weigh the cost of compliance with the cost of pursuing a variance. Expenses associated with a variance include a \$276 application fee, plus an additional \$69 for each unrelated code provision for the project, costs for providing documents and photographs to supplement your application, waiting up to a month to be included on the Commission's agenda, a trip to Indianapolis to appear before the Commission to answer questions about alternate design proposals or undue hardship, and, if necessary, hiring a code consultant to develop cost effective equivalencies and alternatives to the codes and to make your case to the Commission.

Each month, the Commission considers 50 or more applications for variance from its rules, and the process has provided relief for many businesses looking to locate or expand operations in Indiana. The actions taken on variance requests are public record and can be accessed by a project number, variance number or Commission action date range in the variance database at http://www.in.gov/dhs/3543.htm.

Here are a few examples of variances IBA members have received the last few years:

In 2011, a multifamily builder received a variance from the Commission to comply with the residential provisions of Chapter 4 of the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code instead of the requirements of the Indiana Energy Conservation Code (based on ASHRAE 90.1, 2007 Edition) for a 3-story apartment building project. The multifamily builder, with the help of a code consultant and design professional, demonstrated that the use of the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code would result in cost savings for a residential development without sacrificing energy efficiency.

In 2012, the Commission granted variance from the 2008 Indiana Building Code requirement to install a NFPA 13R fire suppression system in rental units classified as R-2 occupancies and allowed the installation of a NFPA 13D fire suppression system. In this case, the builder's design professional demonstrated that the existing waterline infrastructure would not be sufficient for the waterflow requirements of a NFPA 13R system. The design professional also argued that use of the building was identical to a one-and two-family dwelling and it was constructed like a townhouse, which requires the installation of a NFPA 13D system, but because the townhouses would be rentals they were classified as R-2 occupancies requiring a NFPA 13R system.

In July 2013, a similar variance was granted for another multifamily builder to use a NFPA 13D fire suppression system in 6-plex, 1-story patio homes classified as R-2 occupancies.

Also in 2012, the Commission considered a variance application pertaining to Chapter 11 of the 2005 Indiana Residential Code requiring insulating ducts under a slab. The home builder, with the help of his energy efficiency consultant, his building designer, and his local building official, persuaded the Commission that the performance method of compliance, which in this case included un-insulated ducts under a slab, is an alternate method under the 2005 Indiana Residential Code, R106.1. The Commission affirmed that the local building official had the authority to make such a determination, and the builder withdrew his application for variance.

In July, a building designer represented a cabinet company that expanded its business to a second building and wanted to connect the two buildings with a corridor. In lieu of the 3-hour fire separation requirement in the 2008 Indiana Building Code, the designer proposed sheathing the inside and outside of the corridor with 5/8" Type X drywall, adding fire shutters, maintaining six exits and including an NFPA 664 dust collection system. The Commission added the condition that all exit doors swing in the direction of travel and approved the application for variance.

In August, a multifamily builder received a variance from the Commission to install a sewer line in a legally recorded easement beneath townhouses. The variance was needed since this installation conflicts with an interpretation which became effective May 15, 2010 and does not permit systems and equipment for townhouses which include, but are not limited to, gas electrical, telephone, cable, fiber optics, water, and sanitary to cross property lines. Counsel for the multifamily builder testified that they have constructed townhouses in this manner for the last 10 years without adversely impacting public health or safety, and compliance with the interpretation would result in a design overhaul since larger lots would be needed to accommodate individual infrastructure.

Variance applicants must demonstrate that imposition of the rule would result in undue hardship because of 1) physical limitations of the construction site or its utility services; 2) major operational problems in the use of the building or structure; 3) excessive costs of additional or altered construction elements, or 4) prevention of the preservation of an architecturally or a historically significant part of the building or structure and that public health, safety, and welfare will be protected.

If you are interested in applying for a variance, you can download the application for variance and instructions at http://www.in.gov/dhs/3552.htm.

Energy efficiency compliance in residential construction

s a home builder or remodeler, do I have to comply with the new energy efficiency requirements for residential construction?

Yes. One-and two-family dwellings and townhouses constructed in Indiana must comply with the 2005 Indiana Residential Code (based on the 2003 International Residential Code with Indiana amendments), including the new energy efficiency requirements.

Amendments to Chapter 11 for energy efficiency became effective in 2012. The Chapter 11 amendments are based on parts of the 2009 International Residential Code (IRC), Chapter 11 and the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), Chapter 4.

Builders demonstrate compliance with the energy efficiency requirements of the code through the prescriptive path (N1102.1.1), the component trade-off path (N1102.1.2 and N1102.1.3), or the performance path (N1106). All three paths have requirements that are consistent and address certification; air barriers and insulation; vapor barriers; windows; and HVAC systems.

How do the three compliance paths differ from one another?

The prescriptive path is the simplest, but not the most cost-effective, way for builders to meet energy efficiency requirements. Insulation and fenestration criteria for the building thermal envelope are shown in Table N1102.1 which specifies minimum R-values and maximum U-factors by climate zone. No computer software is needed.

The component trade-off path, often referred to as "the Total UA alternative", is found in sections N1102.1.2 and N1102.1.3. Builders who choose the Total UA Alternative path can choose insulation thickness and window U-factors that deviate from those in the prescriptive table, as long as the total building thermal envelope UA (the sum of each assembly U-factor times each relevant area) is not more than the total UA resulting from using the U-factors in the prescriptive table. Computer software must be used. REScheck is an example of this software and it can be downloaded for free from the U.S. Department of Energy.

Section N1106 Performance Based Calculations adopts by reference the 2009 IECC and amends Chapter 4 to provide a performance based alternative. Builders choosing the performance path must show that a proposed house design has an annual energy budget less than or equal to that of a similar house (referred to as the standard reference design) that complies with the code's prescriptive requirements. Utilizing the performance path offers the builder the greatest flexibility in design and construction and therefore is the most cost effective. Performance path calculations are usually performed by an energy consultant, HERS rater, architect, or engineer using a software program like REM/Rate.

Is an addition or alteration required to comply with the new energy efficiency requirements?

Yes. R105 states "Additions and alterations

to any structure shall conform to that required for a new structure without requiring the existing structure to comply with all the requirements of this code. Additions and alterations shall not cause the structure to become unsafe."

Are modular and HUD homes required to comply with the 2005 Indiana Residential Code including the energy efficiency requirements?

Indiana modular homes, which have a yellow label in the shape of Indiana on electrical panel door, are inspected at the factory and must comply with the 2005 Indiana Residential Code, including the Chapter 11 Energy Efficiency requirements. HUD homes, which have a red rectangular label on the frame's tongue, are inspected to the HUD code.

Is a panel certificate required?

Yes, according to Section N1101.8 Certificate. A permanent certificate shall be posted on or in the electrical distribution panel. The certificate shall not cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory label, service disconnect label or other required labels. The certificate shall be completed by the builder or registered design professional. The certificate shall list the predominant R-values of insulation installed in or on ceiling/roof, walls, foundation (slab, basement wall, crawl space wall and/or floor), ducts outside conditioned spaces, and U-factors for fenestration. Where there is more than one value for each component, the certificate shall list the value covering the largest area. The certificate shall list the types and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water heating equipment. Where a gas-fired unvented room heater, electric furnace, and/ or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall list "gas-fired unvented room heater", "electric furnace", or "baseboard electric heater" as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be listed for gas-fired unvented room heaters, electric furnaces, or electric baseboard heaters.

Is a blower door test required?

No. A blower door test can be used to demonstrate air sealing compliance. Builders have two options for demonstrating air sealing compliance: 1) Testing (Section N1102.4.2.1) or 2) Visual inspection (Section N1102.4.2.2). Additionally, Table N1102.4.2 Air Barrier and Insulation Inspection is used only with the visual inspection option (Section N1102.4.2.2).

If a builder chooses the visual inspection option (Section N1102.4.2.2), who does the field verification of the air barrier and insulation?

Unless a local ordinance requires an approved party independent from the insulation installer to inspect the air barrier and insulation, the builder may perform the field verification of the items in Table N1102.4.2.

Is a duct tightness test required?

Yes, unless the air handler and all ducts are located within conditioned space. According to Section N1103.2.2, duct tightness shall

be verified by either of the following: 1) Post-construction test or 2) Rough-in test. The requirements for each test are as

follows: Post-construction test: Leakage to out-

doors shall be less than or equal to eight (8) cfm (3.78 L/s) per one hundred (100) ft^2 (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area or a total leakage less than or equal to twelve (12) cfm (5.66 L/s) per one hundred (100) ft² (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area when tested at a pressure differential of 0.1 inch w.g. (25 Pa) across the entire system, including the manufacturer's air handler end closure. All register boots shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test.

Rough-in test: Total leakage shall be less than or equal to six (6) cfm (2.83 L/s) per one hundred (100) ft² (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area when tested at a pressure differential of 0.1 inch w.g. (25 Pa) across the roughed in system, including the manufacturer's air handler enclosure. All register boots shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test. If the air handler is not installed at the time of the test, total leakage shall be less than or equal to four (4) cfm (1.89 L/s) per one hundred $(100) \text{ ft}^2$ (9.29)m²) of conditioned floor area.

Is the performance path, which requires the use of software and testing, the most

expensive path? No. Most home energy professionals charge \$450 to \$550 for performance compliance which includes two site visits, testing and all documentation. Please contact your local HBA for members who are home energy professionals.

Additional Resources

Purchase the 2003 International Residential Code from the NAHB Bookstore at www builderbooks.com or from the AIA Indiana Bookstore at www.aiaindiana.org.

Indiana Amendments to the 2003 International Residential Code are available for download at http://www.in.gov/legislative/ iac/T06750/A00140.PDF.

Download REScheck at http://www.energycodes.gov/rescheck.

For additional information on energy efficiency requirements in the 2005 Indiana Residential Code, please contact Carlie Hopper at Carlie@BuildIndiana.org or at (800) 377-6334 ext. 206.

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B uilders must file and/or re-file applications for the Model Home Deduction to their county auditor before December 31. The Deduction provides a 50 percent deduction on the structure (not the land) for up to three models statewide for the initial partial assessment followed by three full assessments. Applications must be filed annually and the deduction terminates if the property is sold or occupied.

"Model residence" means real property that consists of a single family residence, single family townhouse, or single family condominium that has never been occupied as a principal residence, and is used for display or demonstration to prospective buyers or lessees for purposes of potential acquisition or lease of a similar type of residence, townhouse, or condominium unit on the same property or other property.

The application can be found by visiting https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx ?id=6921 or by contacting Tom Havens, IBA Governmental Affairs Director at (800)377-6334 ext. 205 or by e-mail at Tom@BuildIndiana.org.

Indiana Code, Article 25, gives direction on the deduction for model residences.

Purpose

Sec. 1. The purpose of this article is to establish procedures to govern the application for the deduction for model residences established under IC 6-1.1-12.6.

Sec. 2. This article applies to taxpayers applying for the deduction for model residences.

Definitions

Sec. 1. The definitions in this rule apply throughout this article.

Sec. 2. "Affiliated group" means any combination of the following in accordance with IC 6-1.1-12.6-0.5: (1) An affiliated group within the meaning provided in Section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code except

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that the ownership percentage in Section 1504(a)(2)of the Internal Revenue Code must be determined using 50 percent instead of 80 percent or a relationship described in Section 267(b)(11) of the Internal Revenue Code. (2) Two or more partnerships as defined in IC 6-3-1-19, including limited liability companies and limited liability partnerships that have the same degree of mutual ownership as an affiliated group described in subdivision (1).

Sec. 3. "Model residence" has the meaning set forth in IC 6-1.1-12.6-1.

Model Residence Deduction

Sec. 1. (a) The deduction from the assessed value of a model residence described in subsection (b) is applicable only to a model residence that is first assessed as a: (1) partially completed structure; or (2) fully completed structure; for the assessment date in 2009 or a later year.

(b) An owner of a qualified model residence is entitled to a deduction from the assessed value of the model residence in the amount of 50 percent of the assessed value of the model residence for: (1) not more than one assessment date for which the model residence is assessed as a partially completed structure; (2) the assessment date for which the model residence is first assessed as a fully completed structure; and (3) the two assessment dates that immediately follow the assessment date referred to in subdivision (2).

Sec. 2. (a) A property owner who qualifies for the model residence deduction must file a claim for the deduction with the county auditor on the form prescribed by the department of local government finance for each assessment date for which the property owner wishes to receive the deduction.

(b) The form must be verified under the penalties for perjury and contain all of the following information: (1) The assessed values of the real property for which the person is claiming the model residence deduction. (2) The full name and complete business address of the person claiming the model residence deduction. (3) The complete address and a brief description of the real property for which the person is claiming the model residence deduction. (4) The name of any other county in which the person has applied for a model residence deduction for that assessment date. (5) The complete address and a brief description of any other real property for which the person has applied for a model residence deduction for that assessment date.

(c) The assessing official must verify a claim for the model residence deduction.

(d) The county auditor must make the model residence deduction and notify the county property tax assessment board of appeals of all approved deductions.

(e) The county auditor with whom the claim is filed must immediately prepare and transmit a copy of the claim to the auditor of any other county if the property owner owns or is buying a model residence in the other county.

(f) The county auditor receiving the copy

of the claim described in subsection (e) must note on the copy whether the property owner has claimed a deduction for the current year for a model residence in that county. The county auditor must then return the copy of the statement to the auditor who sent the copy.

Limitations on Model Residence Deduction

Sec. 1. (a) A property owner who is not an affiliated group as defined in 50 IAC 25-2-2 may not receive the deduction for more than three model residences in Indiana for a particular assessment date.

(b) Owners of model residences who are part of an affiliated group as defined in 50 IAC 25-2-2 may not exceed an aggregate of three model residence deductions for a particular assessment date.

Sec. 2. A property owner may not receive a model residence deduction for a model residence located in an allocation area as defined in IC 6-1.1-21.2-3.

Sec. 3. (a) A property owner that qualifies for a model residence deduction and also qualifies for a deduction under another statute with respect to the same model home for a particular assessment year may not receive a deduction under both statutes for that year.

(b) A county auditor who receives claims for more than one deduction with respect to a model residence may approve only one of the deductions. If the model residence owner is otherwise qualified, the county auditor must approve the deduction that results in the greater property tax saving for the owner of the model residence.

Change of Ownership

Sec. 1. If ownership of the model residence changes: (1) a new owner that continues to use the property as a model residence may claim the deduction under this rule; and (2) the deduction only applies for the assessment date to which the deduction would have applied had the ownership not changed.

Sec. 2. A person who owns a model residence and claims the deduction must provide the county auditor with a notice that: (1) informs the auditor of a transfer of ownership of the model residence; and (2) indicates whether the new owner is eligible to receive the model residence deduction. The notice must be submitted to the county auditor at the same time that a sales disclosure form is filed under IC 6-1.1-5.5.

Sec. 3. (a) The deduction allowed for a model residence is terminated if the model is sold after the assessment date of a particular year but before January 1 of the following year to a person who does not continue to use the property as a model residence.

(b) The county auditor must immediately mail notice of the termination of the deduction to the former owner, the current property owner, and the township assessor, if there is one, or, if not, the county assessor.

(c) The county auditor must:(1) remove the deduction from the tax duplicate; and (2) notify the county treasurer of the termination of the deduction.

Save 50% by filing and/or refiling residence in inventory (spec homes) deduction

s a result of legislation passed in 2011, the Residence in Inventory Deduction application is now available.

The deduction allows builders to apply for a 50 percent property tax deduction for a single family residence, townhouse, or condominium that is classified as a residence in inventory (spec home).

The deduction may be claimed on up to three homes for the first three years the spec home is fully assessed.

The application must be filed annually with the County Auditor of the county where the property is located.

The Residence in Inventory Deduction is in addition to the Model Home Deduction.

To view the Residence in Inventory application online, please visit https://forms. in.gov/Download.aspx?id=10251.

In a memorandum issued by Brian E. Bailey, Commissioner, Department of Local Government Finance, on June 2, 2011, he issues guidance concerning the deduction for residences in inventory added to the Indiana Code by HEA 1046-2011, as a new chapter, IC 6-1.1-12.8, effective July 1, 2011.

I. Qualification as a "Residence in In-

ventory" for Purposes of the Deduction For purposes of the deduction, "residence in inventory" means real property that: 1) is not a model residence as defined in IC 6-1.1-12.6-1; 2) has never been occupied; and 3) is a single family: residence, townhouse or condominium unit.

The term "residence in inventory" does not include any of the land on which the residence, townhouse, or condominium unit is located. Moreover, the owner's regular office space may not be considered a "residence in inventory." That said, an owner cannot not lose the deduction simply by using a garage or other space in the real property to store or display promotional materials or as a space to meet with potential buyers.

II. Definition of "Residential Builder"

The term "residential builder" means a person who, in the ordinary course of the person's trade or business, builds single family residences, townhouses, or condominium units.

III. Deduction

In general, a residential builder that is the owner of a residence in inventory is entitled to a deduction in the amount of 50 percent of the assessed value of the residence in inventory. The deduction applies only to a residence in inventory that is first assessed as a partially or fully completed structure for the assessment date in 2012 or a later year. A deduction for a residence in inventory does not apply, however, for a particular assessment date if the residence in inventory is leased for any purpose for any part of the calendar year in which the assessment date occurs.

IV. Application for Deduction and County Official's Duties

A property owner who qualifies for the deduction must file State Form 54861 with the county auditor, in the manner prescribed

by the Department of Local Government Finance (Department), containing the following information, verified under penalties for periury: 1) the assessed value of the real property for which the person is claiming the deduction; 2) the full name and business address of the person claiming the deduction; 3) the complete address and a brief description of the real property; 4) the name of any other county in which the person has applied for a deduction for that assessment date; 5) the complete address and a brief description of any other real property for which the person has applied for the deduction for that assessment date; 6) an affirmation by the owner that the owner is not receiving more than three (3) such deductions, including the deduction for which the owner is applying, either as the owner of the residence in inventory or as an owner that is part of an affiliated group; and 7) an affirmation that the real property has not been leased and will not be leased for any purpose during the term of the deduction.

The application form is available online at https://forms.in.gov/Download.aspx ?id=10251.

The assessing official must verify each statement in the application. After the application has been verified, the county auditor must make the deductions and notify the county property tax assessment board of appeals of all approved deductions.

V. Number of Deductions for a Particular Residence

The deduction is available on a particular Residence for a total of not more than four assessment dates as follows: 1) one assessment date for which the Residence is first assessed as a partially completed structure; 2) the assessment date for which the Residence is first assessed as a fully completed structure; 3) the two assessment dates that immediately succeed the assessment date in number 2 above.

VI. Number of Residences for an Assessment Date

Except for members of an affiliated group, a property owner is entitled to a deduction for an assessment date on not more than three Residences in Indiana. The auditor of the county with whom an application for the deduction is filed must immediately prepare and transmit a copy of the application to the auditor of any other county if the property owner that claims the deduction owns or is buying a Residence located in another county. The auditor of the other county must note on the copy of the application whether the property owner has claimed a deduction for the current year for a Residence in that county. That county auditor must then return the copy of the application to the auditor who sent the copy in the first instance.

For example, Mr. Smith owns a Residence in County A and another in County B and is claiming a deduction for the Residence in County A. The Auditor of County A will send a copy of the deduction application to the Auditor of County B, who will note whether Mr. Smith is receiving a deduction for a Residence in County B. The Auditor of County B will then return the noted application to the Auditor in County A.

The aggregate number of deductions claimed for a particular assessment date by the owners of a Residence who are part of an affiliated group may not exceed three deductions. For purposes of the deduction, the term "affiliated group" has the meaning set forth in IC 6-1.1-12.6-1 and means any combination of the following:

(1) An affiliated group within the meaning provided in Section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code (except that the ownership percentage in Section 1504(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code must be determined using 50 percent instead of 80 percent) or a relationship described in Section 267(b)(11) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(2) Two or more partnerships (as defined in IC 6-3-1-19), including limited liability companies and limited liability partnerships, that have the same degree of mutual ownership as an affiliated group described in (1), as determined under the rules adopted by the department of local government finance.

For example, Small Potatoes Builders, along with Big Time Builders, and Homes Are Us formed a business association under the name Build It, Inc. Build It, Inc. owns fifty percent (50%) of the stock of the three companies. Small Potatoes, Big Time and Homes Are Us are part of an affiliated group for determining the number of homes that qualify for the deduction.

VII. Deduction not Permitted for Residence in Allocation Area

A property owner may not receive a deduction with respect to a Residence located in an allocation area as defined in IC 6-1.1-21.2-3. The term "allocation area" refers to an area that is established under the authority of any of the following statutes (IC 6-1.1-39; IC 8-22-3.5; IC 36-7-14; IC 36-7-14.5; IC 36-7-15.1; IC 36-7-30; IC 36-7-30.5) and in which tax increment revenues are collected.

VIII. Limit of One Deduction Per Residence Per Year

A property owner that qualifies for the Residence deduction and another deduction with respect to the same Residence may not receive a deduction under both statutes for the Residence for that year.

IX. Change of Ownership

If the ownership of a Residence changes, and the new owner is a residential builder, the new owner may claim the deduction. The deduction, however, is limited to the assessment dates for which the prior owner qualified. In other words, the deduction assessment dates are those that would have applied had the ownership not changed. The new owner must, at the time of the filing of the sales disclosure form, inform the auditor of the transfer of ownership and of the new owner's eligibility for the deduction.

The deduction for the Residence for a particular assessment date is terminated if the residence in inventory is sold after the assessment date of that year but before January 1 of the following year to a person who does not continue to use the real property as a residence in inventory. In such case, the county auditor must immediately mail notice of the termination to the former owner, the property owner, and the township assessor or the county assessor if there is no township assessor. The county auditor must remove the deduction from the tax duplicate and must notify the county treasurer of the termination of the deduction.

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n the summer of 2013, the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission (Commission) was granted exceptions from Governor Pence's Executive Order 13-03, which called for a moratorium on new regulations, excluding rules needed for emergencies, health or safety, to move forward with the adoption of the 2014 Indiana Building, Fire, Mechanical and Fuel Gas codes.

The Commission established review committees comprised of industry stakeholders for each of the four codes. The Indiana Builders Association had a voting representative on each. The committees met monthly for a year to review and amend the 2012 editions of the respective model I-Codes, which apply to the construction of Class 1 structures and do not apply to one and two-family dwellings and townhouses.

The committee's final recommendations were presented to the Commission as proposed rules, and public hearings were held on May 22. The Commission approved the four proposed rules with minimal changes on June 3, but did delete the requirement to install carbon monoxide alarms in all group R and I occupancies in the 2014 Indiana Building Code. Indiana Builders Association staff provided comments opposing the requirement since there is no recognized installation standard by which to reliably install CO alarms, there are a variety of standards for CO levels, and the causes of CO poisoning can be better prevented through annual service/maintenance of the structure's heating system, water heater and any other gas, oil, or coal burning appliances.

The final rules were approved by the attorney general and the governor and become effective on December 1, 2014.

Helpful links:

2014 Indiana Building Code (LSA Doc. #13-339): Based on the 2012 International Building Code, first printing, with Indiana amendments (repeals the 2008 Indiana Building Code). Purchase the code at: http://shop.iccsafe.org/codes/2012-international-codes/2012-international-build-ing-code-35316.html. Download the free amendments at: http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/20140827-IR-675130339FRA. xml.pdf.

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2014 Indiana Fuel Gas Code (LSA Doc. #13-342): Based on the 2012 International Fuel Gas Code, second printing, with Indiana amendments (repeals the 2008 Indiana Fuel Gas Code). Purchase the code at: http://shop.iccsafe.org/codes/2012-international-codes/2012-international-fuel-gas-code-35658.html. Download the free amendments at: http://www.in.gov/leg-islative/iac/20140827-IR-675130342FRA. xml.pdf.

Other Recent Commission Action

Commission Provides Interpretation on Landings at Exterior Doors

At its meeting in September, the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission (Commission) discussed Sections R311.4.3, R311.4.3.1 and R311.4.3.2 of the 2005 Indiana Residential Code pertaining to landings at doors. The Commission determined that a landing is not required on the exterior side of an exterior door unless the distance from the threshold to grade is greater than 8.25". The Commission also determined that ground at grade level may be considered the landing, so long as the ground does not slope any more than .25" in 12" for the dimensions of the landing required by the code. In short, a landing is not required less than 8 1/4" from the threshold, and a landing can be ground if the surface is level.

Commission Approves Rushville Ordinance to Label Homes

Also at its September meeting, the Commission approved a building ordinance for the City of Rushville requiring new class 1 and class 2 structures that contain engineered trusses and/or engineered floor joists to have a placard affixed to the structure.

The requirements in the ordinance mirrored those of the model text including: Size of the placard may not be smaller than 3 1/2 inches by 4 1/2 inches and may not be larger than 5 inches by 5 1/2 inches; cost may not exceed \$5/placard; and specifies the responsibilities of the builder, local authority having jurisdiction, local fire department, 911 telephone call center, and owner of the structure.

The Indiana Builders Association (IBA), along with several other stakeholders, participated in the creation of this model text and supported its inclusion in the state's sample building code ordinances to provide consistency and uniformity should a local jurisdiction choose to require a label/placard identifying floor and roof materials be affixed to a newly constructed home. IBA opposes the requirement to label homes based on the materials used in their construction.

Commission Approves Product-Specific Smoke Alarm Ordinance

The Indianapolis City-County Council (Council) received approval from the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission (Commission) at its meeting in October for provisions of an ordinance pertaining to battery powered smoke alarms in Class 1 structures.

Multifamily housing as well as commercial properties in Indianapolis and Marion County with battery-powered smoke alarms would be required to install smoke alarms with a 10-year, sealed battery when a non-compliant smoke detector is replaced for any reason.

The provisions of the ordinance pertaining to Class 2 structures, which includes oneand two-family dwellings and townhouses, became effective August 1, 2014 and was deemed enforceable without Commission approval under IC 22-13-2-5. According to Indiana Department of Homeland Security staff, "battery-operated smoke detectors are already required for those Class 2 structures where the Commission's rules did not otherwise require hardwired detectors, the ordinance is only requiring a specific type of battery operated smoke detector for those Class 2 structures."

Indiana Builders Association conveyed opposition to the provisions for Class 2 structures since the mandate applies to all existing housing with battery-powered smoke alarms regardless of whether or not any work is being performed, which conflicts with the 2005 Indiana Residential Code, Section R313.2.1. If homeowners prefer the convenience of installing smoke alarms with 10-year, sealed batteries, they may do so; however, homeowners with properly installed and maintained battery-powered smoke alarms should not be required to replace their units with more expensive units containing 10-year, sealed batteries.

Online Variance Application Available

Builders, design professionals, code consultants, and building owners seeking a variance from the Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission's building and fire safety laws can utilize the new online variance application. The online variance application is available at http:// www.in.gov/dhs/3865.htm.

HAVE A CODE QUESTION? Contact Carlie at the IBA office Carlie@BuildIndiana.org or 1-800-377-6334 ext. 206

	Indiana Builders Association & National Association of Home Builders 2015 Calendar of Events
2015 January 1 - April 31	Indiana General Assembly in Session
January 20-22	NAHB International Builders' Show, Las Vegas, NV
February 17-18 February 27	IBA Housing & Legislative Conference, Westin, Indianapolis, IN Indiana Builder News Deadline for March/April Issue
March	National Professional Designation Classes, Indianapolis, IN
April 24	Indiana Builder News Deadline for May/June Issue
May 11 May 12	IBA Board & Committee Session IBA Golf Outing, Winding Ridge Golf Course, Indianapolis, IN
June 2-6 June 19	NAHB Legislative Conference & Spring Board of Directors Meeting, Washington, DC Indiana Builder News Deadline for July/August Issue
July 21-24	NAHB Association Leadership Institute, Pittsburg, PA
August 16-17	IBA Board & Committee Session
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August 21	Indiana Builder News Deadline for September/October Issue
September 27-30	NAHB Fall Board of Directors Meeting, Dallas, TX
Fall	National Professional Designation Classes, Indianapolis, IN
October 23	Indiana Builder News Deadline for November/December Issue
December 6-7	IBA Election of Officers, Board & Committee Session
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Joining the Builders Association

Who we are: The Indiana Builders Association, Inc. (IBA), is a statewide not-for-profit trade association representing approximately 3,000 builders, remodelers, land developers and suppliers to the residential and light commercial housing industry. There are 27 local builders associations across the state of Indiana affiliated with the IBA. Members join the builders association through a local builders association. Membership in a local builders association includes membership in both the IBA and the NAHB (National Association of Home Builders). There are over 150,000 NAHB members nationwide.

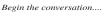
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Questions? Contact the Indiana Builders Association 1-800-377-6334 www.BuildIndiana.org

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7) All levels of the builders association offer additional benefits, discounts, rebates, educational opportunities, publications, industry information, advertising, and networking opportunities that are available to you as a member.

8) When you join the builders association, your membership dues are all inclusive of the local, state, and national federation.

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