



To: IKECA Membership
From: IKECA Board of Directors
IKECA Technical Standards Development Committee
Date: December 20, 2021
Subject: **URGENT SUPPORT NEEDED**

Dear IKECA Member:

It was recently brought to the attention of IKECA's Leadership Team and the IKECA Technical Standards Development Committee that the Alaska Department of Public Safety, Division of Fire and Life Safety has proposed code for Chapter 6, section 606.3.3.2 of the 2021 revision. The proposal is to create an exception to the adopted IFC Fire Code and to **delete the reference to the ANSI/IKECA C-10 Standard** with all other language remaining.

As your IKECA President and IKECA Technical Standards Development Committee Chair, **we are asking for your support to ensure that standard 606.3.3.2 existing language remains intact** and is not deleted. We further ask for your support to advocate for a simple modification to the current code that would allow for equivalent standards to be referenced.

As an ANSI Standards-writing body it is IKECA's responsibility to protect the hard work that goes into standards development and maintenance, the effort to have them adopted by municipalities, and our commitment to fire prevention and life safety. As members of an organization for the betterment of our industry, it is also important to **show our commitment to this common goal** by our support to one another, however needed, wherever you are in the world.

An exemption to the International Fire Code and acceptance of such change can lead to an escalation of this event in other states, and degradation to the arduous work and time committed to our industry along with fire and life safety. **We are asking for five minutes of your time to support your industry and your trade organization.** Please consider this an urgent matter, and help us stop this proposed exception.

HOW CAN YOU HELP? Simply download the [Proposed 2021 Code or A.A.C. Request](#) form with IKECA's recommended language provided (which you are welcome to personalize as you see fit), fill in the REQUESTING AGENCY INFORMATION section at the top of the form, and mail the form along with the NFPA Technical Sheet provided to the address on the top of the form. Also, please email your form and Technical Sheet to Lloyd M. Nakano (DPS), Lloyd.nakano@alaska.gov and cc: info@ikeca.org so your submission reaches its destination in a timely manner.

[This is a time sensitive request. We ask that you mail and email your form on or before Friday, December 31, 2021.](#)

We thank you all in advance in support of this initiative and your commitment to our industry and trade organization.

Sincerely,

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