

**103A.18 Court proceedings.**

Judicial review of action of the commissioner, board of review, or council may be sought in accordance with the terms of the Iowa administrative procedure Act, [chapter 17A](#). Notwithstanding the terms of said Act:

1. Filing of a petition for judicial review shall stay all proceedings on the matter with respect to which review is sought unless there is a showing by the state agency or a local building department that a stay would involve imminent peril to life or property.

2. No court shall entertain an action based on the state building code unless all administrative remedies have been exhausted, except:

- a. When the action is instituted by the state or a governmental subdivision; or
- b. When there is good cause for the failure to exhaust administrative remedies.

3. Subject to [subsection 1 of this section](#), where the construction of a building or structure or use of a building is in violation of any code provision or lawful order of a local building department, the district court may on petition order removal of the building, abatement as a public nuisance, or enjoin further construction.

4. Petitions for judicial review may be filed in the county where the cause of action or some part thereof arose.

[C73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §103A.18]

[2003 Acts, ch 44, §114](#)