

**Senate Study Bill 3148 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE \_\_\_\_\_  
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON WEBSTER)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the national electrical code, and including  
2 effective date provisions.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 103.1, Code 2026, is amended by adding  
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 12A. "*National electrical code*" means the  
4 international energy conservation code, 2009 edition, published  
5 by the international code council.

6 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 103.1B **Electrical code — amendments**  
7 **— limitations.**

8 Prior to adopting any changes to the national electrical  
9 code pursuant to section 103.6, the board shall conduct an  
10 analysis of the change in the total cost of the average home  
11 built after January 1, 2027, due to any changes to the national  
12 electrical code. The analysis shall be submitted to the  
13 administrative rules coordinator and the administrative code  
14 editor for publication in the Iowa administrative bulletin  
15 along with the notice of intended action.

16 Sec. 3. NEW SECTION. 103.1C **International energy**  
17 **conservation code — notice.**

18 The seller of a single-family dwelling constructed on or  
19 after January 1, 2027, shall inform the buyer of the dwelling  
20 in writing if the dwelling does not comply with the standards  
21 of the international energy conservation code, 2024 edition,  
22 published by the international code council.

23 Sec. 4. Section 103.6, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code 2026,  
24 is amended to read as follows:

25 a. Adopt rules pursuant to [chapter 17A](#) and in doing so  
26 shall be governed by the minimum standards set forth in the  
27 ~~most current publication of the national electrical code issued~~  
28 ~~and adopted by the national fire protection association,~~ and  
29 amendments to the code, which code and amendments shall be  
30 filed in the offices of the state law library and the board  
31 and shall be a public record. The board shall adopt rules  
32 reflecting updates to the code and amendments to the code. The  
33 board shall promulgate and adopt rules establishing wiring  
34 standards that protect public safety and health and property  
35 and that apply to all electrical wiring which is installed

1 subject to [this chapter](#).

2 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1,  
3 2027.

4 EXPLANATION

5 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
6 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

7 This bill relates to the national electrical code. The  
8 bill adopts the international energy conservation code,  
9 2009 edition, as the basis of the national electrical code  
10 applicable in this state. The bill requires the electrical  
11 examining board (board) to conduct an analysis of the change  
12 in the total cost of the average home built after January 1,  
13 2027, due to any changes to the national electrical code prior  
14 to adopting any changes to the national electrical code. The  
15 board shall submit the analysis for publication in the Iowa  
16 administrative bulletin along with the notice of intended  
17 action.

18 The bill requires the seller of a single-family dwelling  
19 constructed on or after January 1, 2027, to inform the buyer of  
20 the dwelling if the dwelling does not comply with the standards  
21 of the international energy conservation code, 2024 edition,  
22 published by the international code council.

23 The bill takes effect January 1, 2027.