

The commission serves as a central source of supply for a great variety of specialized products, tools and aids useful to the blind, children as well as adults. Braille watches and clocks; Braille writing devices, Braille paper; specialized rulers and other measuring devices which can be read by touch; canes of all types; cooking utensils with specially marked dials; standard playing cards with braille markings added; other games such as chess, checkers, bingo, and scrabble [with special markings as needed]; Braille thermometers and barometers; specially marked volt meters and similar electrical measuring devices; special marked insulin syringes for blind diabetics; and braille cookbooks are samples of the items stocked. These items are made available to the blind of the state at the commission's cost, or they are provided without cost when the blind person is unable to pay, when there is a clearly demonstrated need for the product, and when the resources of the commission will permit. The commission also assists blind persons to procure at cost certain needed nonspecialized items such as tape recorders, tape, and headphones for talking book machines. Again, there are instances in which these items are provided without charge when there is need and when resources will permit.

A number of blind children do not attend the Iowa Braille and Sight Saving School at Vinton, but are enrolled in regular public schools throughout the state. Upon request the commission works with the division of special education of the Department of Public Instruction to procure books and specialized material for those children and to provide counseling and guidance.

A register of the blind in Iowa showing cause of blindness, age, and other statistical information valuable in program evaluation and planning, is maintained by the commission. It is estimated that there are over 6,000 blind people in Iowa and that approximately nine or 10 Iowans become blind each week

State Building Code

Office for Planning and Programming

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Building Code Advisory Council (appointed by Governor)

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DONALD W. APPELL, Building Code Commissioner.

Objectives and Authority

The 64th General Assembly 1972 Session, created the Iowa State Building Code, Chapter 103A, **Code of Iowa**. The State Building Code Commissioner with the approval of the Advisory Council is empowered and directed by section 103A.7 to formulate and adopt and from time to time amend or revise, reasonable rules to establish minimum safeguards in the erection and construction of buildings and structures, to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

The departmental rules are published in the Administrative Code as chapter 5 of Planning and Programming number 630. The Iowa State Building Code Administrative Section begins at 630-5.100(103A) and consists of 8 divisions which make up the Iowa State Building Code. As authorized by section 103A.8, the standards used are as far as practical with some exceptions are applicable national codes.

The Building Code Commissioner is also required to administer and enforce the provisions of chapter 104A, **Code of Iowa**, "Building Entrance for Handicapped Persons."

Effect and Application

The State Building Code is applicable to all buildings and structures owned by the state or an agency of the state and in each governmental subdivisions where the governing body has adopted a resolution accepting the application of the code.

Three divisions of the State Building Code are applicable throughout the state and preempt any local building regulations. These are as follows:

1. Provisions of the State Building Code relating to the manufacture and installation of factory-built structures apply throughout the state. This includes all types of buildings which are factory-built as well as mobile homes and tie downs for mobile homes. Any mobile home sold, new or used, are required to be tied-down.
2. Provisions for making buildings accessible to and functional for the physically handicapped and elderly persons by authority of section 104A.8 of chapter 104A Code of Iowa.
3. Provisions for thermal and lighting efficiency standards apply to all new state-owned and public owned buildings and to all new construction in governmental subdivisions which have a building code, either the State Building Code or a local building code, and to all other new construction in the state which contains more than one hundred thousand cubic feet of enclosed heated or cooled space.

Administration Section

The Administration Section of the State Building Code as published in the I.A.C. is the adoption of and amendments to the national codes which make up the Building Code. The eight divisions are as follows:

Division 1 - Application and adoption procedures and the requirements for general construction as published in the Uniform Building Code 1976 Edition.

Division 2 - Electrical as published in the National Electric Code 1975.

Division 3 - Mechanical, as published in the Uniform Mechanical Code 1976.

Division 4 - Plumbing as published in the Uniform Plumbing Code 1976.

Division 5 - An optional code for use for one and two family dwellings as published in the "One and Two Family Dwelling Code."

Division 6 - Requirements for the manufacture and installation of factory-built structures.

Division 7 - Provisions for making buildings intended for use by the general public accessible to and functional for the physically handicapped.

Division 8 - Thermal and Lighting Efficiency Standards as published in the "Code for Energy Conservation in New Building Construction."

The divisions are from time to time amended and revised as the national codes are changed. Copies of the Administration Section (Divisions 1 thru 8) and Divisions 6, 7 and 8 are distributed free to anyone who requests copies. The adopted national codes are sold at cost and postage.

Iowa Campaign Finance Disclosure Commission

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CYNTHIA P. EISENHAUER, Executive Director

The 65th General Assembly, 1973 Session, created the Campaign Finance Disclosure Commission to review, monitor and make available for public inspection financial disclosure reports filed by political committees and candidates' committees in the State