



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD**
c/o DCRA– 1100 4th Street SW, - 5th Floor - Washington, DC 20024

CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

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CODE: Green Code SECTION NO. 606.4 SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. GC-En-6-11-13

PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE: Energy CHAIR: Hershey PHONE: 202-659-9529 E-mail:hershey@cpcug.org

DATES OF PROPOSAL: 4-9-2012 CCCB PRESENTATION: 6.28.12 CCCB APPROVAL: 7/26/12

- CHECK ONE *Revise section to read as follows:* *Delete section and substitute the following:*
 Add new section to read as follows: *Delete section without substitution.*

TYPE ALL TEXT IN 12-POINT TIMES NEW ROMAN FONT
~~LINE THROUGH TEXT TO BE DELETED~~ (highlight text, under Format, click font and check strikethrough)
UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED
 Use additional sheets of the form, if necessary.

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Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)
 Increase *Decrease* *Negligible* *Unknown*

Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling *to*
Per 1,000SF of commercial building *\$2,000 to \$3,000*

- JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:**
 Please reference one or more of the criteria required
 To address a critical life/safety, health, general welfare need.
 To address a specific District of Columbia policy or statute
 For consistency with federal, or with reference to the Metro DC area (MD, VA) codes
 Address a unique character issue in the District of Columbia
 Correction of errors and omissions
 Other (explain)



This section is too stringent and expensive, calling for insulation thicknesses far beyond current building practices. It also calls for inordinately large building cavities to accommodate the heavier insulation. The Energy TAG concludes that these requirements would not be cost effective.

Studies, such as those done for the National Multi Housing Council and the National Apartment Association show major cost impacts for such mandated design constraints.

Delete Section 606.4 of the International Green Construction Code in its entirety without substitution.

606.4 Heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) piping insulation

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