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Abstract: Authorizes a suspension of the time period for when a new code may be adopted as the State Uniform Construction Code, but limits the length and number of extensions that may be granted by the council.

Present law provides that the council shall adopt new versions of the State Uniform Construction Code no later than five years following publication of the most recent code to be adopted as provided for in present law (R.S. 40:1730.28).

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the council to suspend the five-year time period in which a new code must be adopted, for up to one year, provided the suspension is necessary because of extraordinary circumstances and is approved by the council.

Proposed law limits the number of times the suspension may be extended to only one additional one-year period, provided the extension is approved by the council.

Proposed law defines "extraordinary circumstances."

(Amends R.S. 40:1730.26(3))