AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1730.26(3), relative to the State Uniform Construction Code; to provide for the adoption of the State Uniform Construction Code within five years from publication of the appropriate code; to provide for an extension to the time period in which the code is required to be adopted; to provide for limitations relative to the length and number of extensions to the adoption of the code; to limit the extension to no more than one year; to limit the authority of the council relative to the number of times an extension may be granted; to provide for a definition; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.26(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1730.26. Adoption and promulgation of certain building codes and standards as State Uniform Construction Code; procedures

The council shall review, adopt, modify, and promulgate the building codes referenced in R.S. 40:1730.28 and 1730.28.1 of this Part, provided that:

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(3)(a) The council shall review, evaluate, and update the State Uniform Construction Code no later than five years from the date of publication of the appropriate code as provided for in R.S. 40:1730.28. The council shall submit the updated State Uniform Construction Code to the House Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs for oversight and approval. Additionally, the council shall provide the
members of each house of the legislature a summary of the major proposed changes

to the International Residential Code at the time of submission to the oversight
committees.

(b) The council shall have the authority to suspend the five-year deadline as
referred in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, for a period of up to one year due
to extraordinary circumstances.

(c) "Extraordinary circumstances" means a federally declared disaster, a
gubernatorially declared disaster or emergency, a pandemic, or other acts of God.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ______________________

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