

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 453

BY REPRESENTATIVE FREEMAN

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

BUILDING CODES: Provides relative to standards when constructing a residential roof

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1730.28.2(A)(4), relative to the construction of a roof in the coastal zone  
3 boundary; to provide for fortified roofs on residential property in the coastal zone  
4 boundary; to provide for requirements and standards; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1730.28.2(A)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §1730.28.2. State Uniform Construction Code; requirements and prohibitions

9 A. The State Uniform Construction Code shall:

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11 (4) For the entirety of a parish that is in the coastal zone boundary, as  
12 designated by R.S. 49:214.24, require that the construction of a new roof or the  
13 replacement of a roof on residential property shall meet or exceed the fortified roof  
14 standards of the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the construction of a roof in the coastal zone boundary.

Present law provides for requirements and prohibitions for the State Uniform Construction Code.

Proposed law retains requirements and prohibitions in present law and adds the requirement that for the entirety of a parish that is in the coastal zone boundary, defined by present law, all new roofs and replacement roofs constructed on residential property shall meet or exceed the standards of a fortified roof.

(Adds R.S. 40:1730.28.2(A)(4))