

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION  
FIRE SAFETY CODE BOARD OF APPEAL & REVIEW**

**NOTICE OF RULE MAKING**

**As directed by PL Chapter 12-337, the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review has prepared proposed rules and regulations clarifying and amending the National Fire Protection Association Codes and Standards adopted by the General Assembly during the 2012 session and approved by the Governor on June 20, 2012. These national codes and standards, NFPA 1, Fire Code (2012 Edition), NFPA 101, Life Safety Code (2012 Edition), and NFPA 72, National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code (2010 Edition) shall go into effect, with the proposed clarifications, on January 1, 2013. In addition, the Board prepares to adopt new regulations in order to implement the national codes in Rhode Island. The current fire code, known as the “State Fire Safety Code” shall expire after December 31, 2012.**

**Notice is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, that a public hearing on the above proposed regulations shall be held on Tuesday, November 27, 2012 beginning at 10:00 AM in the Fire Board Headquarters Conference Room, located in Varley Building #46, One Regan Court, Cranston, Rhode Island, at which time and place all interested persons will be heard.**

**In the development of the proposed rules and regulations, consideration was given to the following: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business, as defined in Chapter 42-35.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws, as amended, which may result from these regulations. No alternative approach or duplication or overlap was identified based upon the available information.**

**Copies of the proposed amended regulations are available for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review, Varley Building #46, One Regan Court, Cranston, Rhode Island, or by contacting the Fire Board staff at (401) 462-0940. The proposed amended regulations will be available for viewing on the Fire Board's website at [www.fsc.ri.gov](http://www.fsc.ri.gov). You may also send an email request for an electronic copy of the proposed amended regulations through the Fire Board's website at [www.fsc.ri.gov](http://www.fsc.ri.gov). In conformance with Section 42-35-3(a)(5) of the General Laws of Rhode Island, a copy of a concise summary of all non-technical amendments being proposed is also available upon request.**

**For the sake of accuracy, it is requested that comments made relative to any aspect of the regulations, including alternative approaches, overlap or significant economic impact, are received prior to or at the**

**hearing. These comments should refer to “Proposed Rhode Island Fire Safety Code” and the specific regulations commented upon, and should be mailed to Chairman Dana Newbrook, Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review, Varley Building # 46, One Regan Court, Cranston, R.I. 02920. Written comments may also be submitted at the public hearing. Oral statements made at the hearing will be considered, but should be limited to five minutes each.**

**Any individual requiring a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this hearing should contact the Fire Board staff at (401) 462-0940 at least three (3) business days prior to the hearing.**