



MEMO

TO: All Building Officials in Miami-Dade County

FROM: 
Secretary of the Board
Board of Rules and Appeals (BORA)

DATE: July 20th, 2018

SUBJECT: BORA Interpretation
FBC, Energy Conservation Section C101.4.2 and R101.4.2

At their meeting of July 19, 2018 the Board of Rules and Appeals updated their previous interpretation regarding buildings which are exempt from the *Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation*. The update of the interpretation is necessary to ensure conformance with the current 6th Edition (2017) Code and to ensure conformance with unchanged but renumbered code sections.

The relevant renumbered Code sections are as follows:

C101.4.2 Exempt buildings. Buildings exempt from the provisions of the Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation, include existing buildings except those considered renovated buildings, changes of occupancy type, or previously unconditioned buildings to which comfort conditioning is added. Exempt buildings include those specified in Sections C101.4.2.1 through C101.4.2.4.

R101.4.2 Exempt buildings. Buildings exempt from the provisions of the Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation, include existing buildings except those considered renovated buildings, changes of occupancy type, or previously unconditioned buildings to which comfort conditioning is added. Exempt buildings include those specified in Sections R101.4.2.1 through R101.4.2.4.

In updating the previous interpretation, the Board continues to interpret: The replacement of windows, including any other renovation which may be taking place, in an existing building that does not exceed 30% of the assessed value of the structure must comply with the requirements of the *Florida Building Code, Existing Building* but is not required to comply with the *Florida Building Code, Energy Conservation*.

Should you have any questions please contact Michael Goolsby, Board and Code Administration Division Chief 2 at (786) 315-2508.