

119TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6264

To amend the Energy Conservation and Production Act to require the consideration of additional factors prior to updating revised Federal building energy efficiency performance standards, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 21, 2025

Mr. JAMES introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Path to Affordable
5 Homes Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONSIDERATION OF ADDITIONAL FACTORS RELAT-**
2 **ING TO REVISED FEDERAL BUILDING EN-**
3 **ERGY EFFICIENCY PERFORMANCE STAND-**
4 **ARDS.**

5 Section 305(a)(3)(B) of the Energy Conservation and
6 Production Act (42 U.S.C. 6834(a)(3)(B)) is amended to
7 read as follows:

8 “(B)(i) Not later than 1 year after the date of ap-
9 proval of each subsequent revision of the ASHRAE Stand-
10 ard or the International Energy Conservation Code, as ap-
11 propriate, the Secretary shall determine whether the re-
12 vised standards established under this paragraph should
13 be updated to reflect the amendment based on—

14 “(I) the cost-effectiveness, technological feasi-
15 bility, and potential effect on the reliability of the
16 electric grid of the requirements under the amend-
17 ment;

18 “(II) the extent to which such requirements di-
19 rectly relate to energy efficiency; and

20 “(III) whether such requirements would result
21 in a building being required to transition to con-
22 suming a different type of energy or consuming en-
23 ergy generated from a different source.

24 “(ii) In determining whether to update the revised
25 standards in accordance with clause (i), if the Secretary
26 determines under clause (i)(III) that requirements under

1 an amendment would result in a building being required
2 to transition from consuming fossil fuel-generated energy
3 to consuming energy generated from a different source,
4 the Secretary shall consider such determination a negative
5 factor against making such update.”.

