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TO: Electrical Licensees and Electrical Inspectors
FROM: Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction
RE: 2023 National Electrical Code

The Department of Housing, Buildings and Construction (“Department”) is currently in the process of adopting the 2023 National Electrical Code (“NEC”). The administrative regulations that incorporate the NEC have passed through the Administrative Regulation Review Subcommittee and have been referred to the subject matter committee. The subject matter committee has until December 3, 2024 to place the administrative regulations on its agenda. **Mandatory enforcement of the 2023 NEC will begin January 1, 2025** unless the administrative regulations are delayed or found deficient.

Additionally, some articles of the 2023 NEC have had their implementation delayed and the applicable articles of the 2017 NEC will apply until their implementation date. The articles are as follows:

2023 NEC articles 210.52(C); 230.67; and 314.27(C) are not mandatory until July 15, 2026.

Further, the requirement for ground-fault circuit interrupter protection for personnel for receptacles over 125-volt listed in 2023 NEC article 210.8(A) and the requirement for GFCI protection listed in 210.8(D)(8); (9); (10); and (11) is not mandatory until a revision is made to the September 5, 2023 Edition of UL 943, Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupters, and the October 5, 2023 Edition of UL 101, Leakage Current for Utilization Equipment. Once both standards are updated, the Department will issue a notice stating the delayed implementation for the referenced articles will no longer be valid. Subsequently, the mandatory enforcement of the 2023 NEC for the cited articles will be effective by a date specified in the notice.