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**TO: City and County Building Officials
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SUBJECT: Housing Construction Codes – A Handbook for Local Government

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is pleased to provide you with the enclosed publication entitled "Housing Construction Codes – A Handbook for Local Government". This handbook provides information relative to California's laws, regulations (Title 24 and 25), the California Building Standards Commission, local code adoptions, and various other matters of interest to local building departments within California.

This initial publication is designed to provide housing officials, plan review staff, and inspection personnel useful information regarding the housing laws and regulations applicable within California. The publication includes references to and copies of state laws and regulations applicable to the construction and maintenance of housing, and addresses the mandated statutory role of this Department, other State agencies and local government.

Additional information regarding HCD's Housing Standards programs may be found on the Department's Internet homepage at www.hcd.ca.gov. Other related laws are available through the State of California's Internet homepage at www.ca.gov or www.leginfo.ca.gov. Your feedback to the Department on the effectiveness and usefulness of this publication is welcomed. Please note that you may reproduce the publication for your staff, and that the publication soon will be available at the Department's Internet homepage for downloading.

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