## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 837**

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Committee: Urban Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Energy Code; to amend section
- 2 81-1611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2020; to require
- 3 the Director of Environment and Energy to provide information to the
- 4 Legislature as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 81-1611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2020, is amended to read:
- 3 81-1611 (1) The Legislature hereby adopts the 2018 International
- 4 Energy Conservation Code published by the International Code Council as
- 5 the Nebraska Energy Code. The Director of Environment and Energy may
- 6 adopt regulations specifying alternative standards for building systems,
- 7 techniques, equipment designs, or building materials that shall be deemed
- 8 equivalent to the Nebraska Energy Code. Regulations specifying
- 9 alternative standards may be deemed equivalent to the Nebraska Energy
- 10 Code and may be approved for general or limited use if the use of such
- 11 alternative standards would not result in energy consumption greater than
- 12 would result from the strict application of the Nebraska Energy Code.
- 13 (2) Whenever the Department of Environment and Energy, as required
- 14 under the federal Energy Conservation and Production Act, has certified
- 15 that the department has reviewed the Nebraska Energy Code and has made a
- 16 determination which has been forwarded to the United States Department of
- 17 Energy as to whether it is appropriate for the state to revise the
- 18 Nebraska Energy Code to meet or exceed an updated edition of the
- 19 International Energy Conservation Code, the Director of Environment and
- 20 Energy shall transmit a copy of such certification and determination to
- 21 the chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature.
- 22 Sec. 2. Original section 81-1611, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 23 Supplement, 2020, is repealed.