NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BUILDING CODE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT FORM

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Applicable code: IIBC
Applicable code section: 202
Select only one code: IIBC-15 IBC-15 IRC-15 IPC-15 IMC-15 IECC-15 NEC-15 NEC-17 (NFPA 70)

Current language (including section numbers and include prior adopted amendments):

CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. A change in the use of the building or a portion of a building. A change of occupancy shall include any change of occupancy classification, any change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification or any change in use within a group for a specific occupancy classification.

Check one: [ ] Delete without substitution: [ ] Add new section to read as follows:
[ ] Delete section and substitute the following: [ ] Revise section to read as follows:

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Proposed code language:

CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. A change in the use of the building or a portion of a building. A change of occupancy shall include any change of occupancy classification, any change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification or any change in use within a group for a specific occupancy classification. A change in the use of a building or a portion of a building which results in one of the following:

1. A change of occupancy classification.
2. A change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification.
3. Any change in use within a group for which there is a change in application of the requirements of this code.

Reason / Justification:

During the legislative code adoption committee hearings, the misapplication of the term "change of occupancy" was discussed and the committee wanted it clarified. While the 2015 code has a better definition than the 2009 code, this is from the 2018 codes which makes it even more understandable.

For information, this is the 2009 definition: CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. A change in the purpose or level of activity within a building that involves a change in application of the requirements of this code.

This is a companion change to the 2015 IBC.

Financial Analysis/Fiscal Impact of proposed amendment:

Clarification only – no fiscal impact.
For Building Code Review Board Use:

Not approved: ______ Approved: ✓ Approved with modifications: ______

Scheduled Hearing Date: ___________________________ Exhibit #: ______

Chair's Signature: ___________________________ Date: 12-14-2018

Printed Name: ___________________________

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