



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS



Date: September 10, 2010

Subject: The two State Surcharges will have a new rate structure starting October 1, 2010.

House Bill 663 changed Statutes 468.631 and 553.721. See attached copies. These are surcharges formerly known as Radon and Licensing. Now they are known as Building Permit Surcharge & Building Permit Certificate Surcharge.

Each of the 2 surcharges is calculated at the same rate:

Current

\$0.005 per square foot of work area, no minimum fee. *Only for new construction or remodel permits.*

Starting October 1, 2010 (permit submit date)

1.5 percent of the permit fees associated with the enforcement of the Florida Building Code, minimum fee \$2.00. *All building permits issued for Florida Building Code rules.*

Samples of how some permits will be affected

A/C change outs and other \$50 permits: Current: Not assessed
New: \$2.00 for each surcharge total \$4.00

Screen Enclosures and other \$70 permits Current: Not assessed
New: \$2.00 for each surcharge total \$4.00

Reroof and other \$150.00 permits: Current: Not Assessed
New: \$2.25 for each surcharge total \$4.50

Condo Remodels and small Single Family Remodels:
Current: based on work area, average \$0.50 each, total \$1.00
New: \$2.40 for each surcharge total \$4.80

Single Family New 3200 SF Gross: Current: \$16.00 for each surcharge, total \$32.00
New: \$31.53 for each surcharge, total \$63.06

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Thank you,

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Building Official

The 2010 Florida Statutes

468.631 Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Fund.—

(1) This part shall be funded through a surcharge, to be assessed pursuant to s. 125.56(4) or s. 166.201 at the rate of 1.5 percent of all permit fees associated with enforcement of the Florida Building Code as defined by the uniform account criteria and specifically the uniform account code for building permits adopted for local government financial reporting pursuant to s. 218.32. The minimum amount collected on any permit issued shall be \$2. The unit of government responsible for collecting permit fees pursuant to s. 125.56 or s. 166.201 shall collect such surcharge and shall remit the funds to the department on a quarterly calendar basis beginning not later than December 31, 2010, for the preceding quarter, and continuing each third month thereafter; and such unit of government shall retain 10 percent of the surcharge collected to fund the participation of building departments in the national and state building code adoption processes and to provide education related to enforcement of the Florida Building Code. There is created within the Professional Regulation Trust Fund a separate account to be known as the Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Fund, which shall deposit and disburse funds as necessary for the implementation of this part. The proceeds from this surcharge shall be allocated equally to fund the Florida Homeowners' Construction Recovery Fund established by s. 489.140 and the functions of the Building Code Administrators and Inspectors Board.

(2) The unit of government responsible for collecting permit fees under this section shall report to the department quarterly the number of permits issued for under-roof floor space during the quarter, the total square footage for the number of permits issued for under-roof floor space during the quarter, and the calculation of the amount of funds being remitted to the department. The report shall be attested to by the officer in charge of collecting permit fees.

History.—s. 24, ch. 93-166; s. 21, ch. 2000-372; s. 11, ch. 2004-84; s. 6, ch. 2010-176.

553.721 Surcharge.—In order for the Department of Community Affairs to administer and carry out the purposes of this part and related activities, there is hereby created a surcharge, to be assessed at the rate of 1.5 percent of the permit fees associated with enforcement of the Florida Building Code as defined by the uniform account criteria and specifically the uniform account code for building permits adopted for local government financial reporting pursuant to s. 218.32. The minimum amount collected on any permit issued shall be \$2. The unit of government responsible for collecting a permit fee pursuant to s. 125.56(4) or s. 166.201 shall collect such surcharge and electronically remit the funds collected to the department on a quarterly calendar basis beginning not later than December 31, 2010, for the preceding quarter, and continuing each third month thereafter, and such unit of government shall retain 10 percent of the surcharge collected to fund the participation of building departments in the national and state building code adoption processes and to provide education related to enforcement of the Florida Building Code. All funds remitted to the department pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Operating Trust Fund. Funds collected from such surcharge shall be used exclusively for the duties of the Florida Building Commission and the Department of Community Affairs under this chapter and shall not be used to fund research on techniques for mitigation of radon in existing buildings. Funds used by the department as well as funds to be transferred to the Department of Health shall be as prescribed in the annual General Appropriations Act. The department shall adopt rules governing the collection and remittance of surcharges in accordance with chapter 120.

History.—s. 1, ch. 88-285; s. 4, ch. 91-429; s. 28, ch. 92-173; s. 19, ch. 93-120; s. 33, ch. 93-166; s. 2, ch. 94-284; s. 1, ch. 95-339; s. 2, ch. 98-145; s. 32, ch. 2008-153; s. 31, ch. 2010-176.

Note.—Former s. 404.056(3).