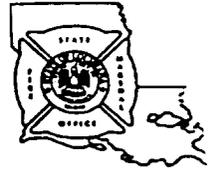




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MEMORANDUM

TO: ARCHITECTS/ENGINEERS/FIRE MARSHAL PERSONNEL/
GENERAL PUBLIC

FROM: HENRY C. REED, SR. - ARCHITECT SUPERVISOR 

RE: FEE CHANGE NOTICE CLARIFICATION

DATE: JANUARY 14, 1998

This office previously issued a memorandum concerning the required \$20.00 fee increase for all projects submitted to the Fire Marshal's Office pursuant to L.R.S. 40:1730.31. In that memorandum it was indicated that State Facility Planning and Control projects were exempt from this fee increase. Some have questioned the validity of that statement. Some have read the law to read that all state owned projects are exempt from the required Energy Code review fees.

Upon review of the law it has been determined that the original statement is correct, Facility Planning projects are exempt from the review fee. In fact, all state owned projects are exempt from the review fee due to the fact that Facility Planning now has the responsibility to review all state projects for compliance with the State Energy Code, pursuant to L.R.S. 40:1730.26.D. This section reads:

- D. For state owned projects, statewide enforcement of the provisions of this part shall be the responsibility of the Facility Planning and Control section of the Division of Administration.

Therefore, it would appear that projects which were previously exempt from review by Facility Planning will now have to undergo an Energy Code review by that department prior to construction.

To reiterate, all state owned projects are now Facility Planning projects pursuant to L.R.S. 1730.26, at least for Energy Code review compliance. Therefore the \$20.00 fee increase will not apply to state owned projects.

If you have any questions regarding Facility Planning Energy Project review submittal requirements, contact Facility Planning & Control at 504-342-0820.

The Office of State Fire Marshal, Code Enforcement and Building Safety will continue to conduct free plan reviews for all state owned projects for compliance with all other applicable codes, rules and regulations. Also note that the 1997 Edition of the Life Safety Code will go into effect June 1, 1998.

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FEE CHANGE NOTICE
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1998

In accordance with R.S. 40:1730.31, Plan Review fees for all projects submitted for review after December 31, 1997 have been increased by twenty dollars (\$20.00). If you have copies of the present fee structure, please add this \$20.00 amount to the total fee computed. New application forms will soon be available that will reflect this increase. Any privately owned project received after December 31, 1997 that does not contain the proper payment will be billed and must be paid prior to final inspection of the facility.

Please note that only State Facility Planning & Control projects are exempt from this \$20.00 fee. All other projects typically exempted from the payment of review fees must pay this \$20.00 per project fee.

Projects owned by political subdivisions submitted without the \$20.00 fee will be billed and must be paid prior to inspection.

HENRY DOES THIS APPLY TO SCHOOL BANNIX
UNIVERSITIES, POLICE JURIES ETC.

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