

1 Florida Building Code shall be enforced in the county as provided in F.S. § 553.80, as the
2 same may be amended.

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4 (d) The following are local technical amendments to the Florida Building Code relating
5 to flood resistance adopted pursuant to Section 553.73(5), Florida Statutes, in order to
6 implement the National Flood Insurance Program or incentives.

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8 (1) Section 202 “Definitions” of the Florida Building Code, Building, is amended
9 as follows:

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11 **SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT.** Any combination of repair, reconstruction,
12 rehabilitation, alteration, addition or other improvement of a building or structure
13 taking place during a 5-year period, the cumulative cost of which equals or
14 exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the improvement
15 or repair is started. The period of accumulation begins when the first
16 improvement or repair of each building or structure is permitted on or after
17 August 1, 2023. If the structure has sustained substantial damage, any repairs
18 are considered substantial improvement regardless of the actual repair work
19 performed. The term does not, however, include either:

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21 1. Any project for improvement of a building required to correct existing
22 health, sanitary or safety code violations identified by the building official
23 and that is the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions.
24 2. Any alteration of a historic structure provided that the alteration will not
25 preclude the structure’s continued designation as a historic structure.

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27 (2) Section 202 “Definitions” of the Florida Building Code, Existing Building, is
28 amended as follows:

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30 **SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT.** For the purpose of determining compliance
31 with the flood provisions of this code, any combination of repair, alteration,
32 addition, or improvement of a building or structure taking place during a 5-year
33 period, the cumulative cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market
34 value of the structure before the improvement or repair is started. The period of
35 accumulation begins when the first improvement or repair of each building or
36 structure is permitted on or after August 1, 2023. If the structure has sustained
37 substantial damage, any repairs are considered substantial improvement
38 regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however,
39 include either:

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41 1. Any project for improvement of a building required to correct existing
42 health, sanitary or safety code violations identified by the code official and

Note: Additions shown underlined, deletions shown ~~stricken~~.

Note to Codifier: Please retain the double underline to reflect the local amendments to the Florida Building Code.