

# **State Building Code Council Code Amendment Process Lean Project**

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# Energy Code Amendments

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170 Energy Code Amendments were received during 2012:

- 18% of the amendments were ready to send to the Council for adoption (30/170)
- 35% needed to be rewritten (60/170)
  - 24% 40/170 were still disapproved
- 47% were disapproved at 1<sup>st</sup> review point (80/170)
- **60%** were rewritten by TAG





# *Hypothesis #1*

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If we improve/mistake proof the amendment proposal form, develop a checklist for staff screening, and allow more time for review by changing the submittal deadline,

Then the proposals for amendments will be more complete and accurate. Problematic proposals will be readily identifiable.





# Hypothesis #2

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If we provide guidelines for the amendment adoption process, to include:

- Submittal
- Clarifying information
- Process steps
- Meeting rules
- Input points

Then, people will understand and adhere to the process and have realistic expectations.





# *Hypothesis #3*

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If we increase the review time for energy code amendment proposals,

Then we achieve better acceptance of requirements and ensure more confidence in the final product.



*Thank you*

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**Questions?/Comments?**

