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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to the Florida Building Code;
amending s. 553.73, F.S.; providing that
certain counties are exempt from the Florida
Building Code adopted by the Florida Building
Commission to the extent necessary to enforce
more stringent windstorm standards than the
standards provided by the Florida Building
Code; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (4)
of section 553.73, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, as
amended by section 40 of chapter 98-287, Laws of Florida, and
by section 61 of chapter 98-419, Laws of Florida, to read:

553.73 Florida Building Code.--

(4)

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this
section, if a county has adopted, before May 1, 1999, a
building code, other than the Standard Building Code, which
provides windstorm standards that are more stringent than the
windstorm standards provided by the Florida Building Code
adopted by the Florida Building Commission, that county is
exempt from the Florida Building Code to the extent necessary
for the county to enforce the more stringent windstorm
standards.

Section 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2001.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Provides that if a county has adopted by May 1, 1999, a building code, other than the Standard Building Code, which contains windstorm standards more stringent than those provided by the Florida Building Code, that county is exempt from the Florida Building Code to the extent necessary to enforce the more stringent windstorm standards.