

Building Energy Code Working Group 2024-2025 Workplan

August 20, 2024 meeting

1. Committee Chairs
 - a. Vote (Rep. Campbell and Senator Bray were nominated as Co-chairs at first meeting)
2. Draft Work Plan review – Group Discussion
 - a. End Goal: Report with findings and recommendations
3. Update on “Vermont Building Energy Code Administration Project”, including Advisory Group – Richard Faesy
4. Data and/or research requests/needs for BECWG, particularly for what might be needed for the legislative report – Group Discussion

September 10, 2024 meeting

1. Update on Division of Fire Safety (DFS) Working Group and potential adoption of the International Residential Code (IRC) – Michael Desrochers
2. Discuss estimated costs of a comprehensive program for the RBES and CBES and for buildings under the jurisdiction of DFS – Michael Desrochers
3. Discuss potential comprehensive program for the RBES and CBES at the DFS including potential funding sources based on cost estimates – Group discussion
4. TBD Presentation on requested data/research – PSD staff and/or contractor

October 11, 2024 meeting

1. Discuss other options for comprehensive RBES and CBES administration and enforcement programs – Group discussion
2. Update on development of RBES Contractor Certification – Office of Professional Regulation and Richard Faesy
3. Discuss any further action or recommendations regarding contractor certifications – Group Discussion
4. Discuss potential findings and recommendations to include in legislative report – Group Discussion

October 22, 2024 meeting

1. Continued discussion of potential findings and recommendations to include in legislative report – Group Discussion

October 28, 2024 - Draft of legislative report sent to Working Group

November 1, 2024 meeting

1. Review draft legislative report and vote on proposed recommendations

November 15, 2024 - Final report due to legislature.

2025 meetings

- Review previously recommended strategies and programs to increase awareness of and compliance with the RBES and CBES and assess progress to date, and changes/additions to be made.
- Review and respond to any legislation related to RBES and CBES.
- Consider the development of plans and recommendations for a potential transition to a comprehensive program for the RBES and CBES at the Division of Fire Safety