The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to provide clarification regarding an editorial error in the State Fire Marshal’s (SFM) 2013 rulemaking package pertaining to CBC Chapter 34, Sections 3401.6 and 3401.8.

In the 2010 CBC, Section 3401.6 was Existing Group R Occupancies. Changes in the model code numbering, Section 3401.6 - Alternative Compliance was adopted in error. The intent was to adopt an existing SFM amendment, Section 3401.8 - Existing Group R Occupancies. Typically, for this type of correction, an errata would be issued by the California Building Standards Commission (CBSC). Due to the time frame of the current code cycle, the CBSC will not be issuing an errata.

Local building departments, fire departments, state agencies, and interested parties should view CBC Section 3401.6 - Alternative Compliance as not adopted by the SFM; CBC Section 3401.8 - Existing Group R Occupancies should be viewed as adopted by the SFM.

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