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Code Change Information:

Will this change increase the cost of construction? Yes No

Which code needs to be revised? 2021 IBC

Which section of the code needs to be revised?

Section 1019.3 Table _____ Figure _____ Page _____

Proposed Change:

Show the proposed new, revised, or deleted text in Legislative format. Line through text to be deleted and underline text to be added or revised.

Section 1019.3 condition 5 is amended to read as follows:

5. Exit access stairways and ramps within an atrium complying with the provisions of Section 404. This exception shall apply only to those supplemental stairs not required for minimum means of egress.

Supporting Information:

State the purpose and reason for the change and provide substantiation to support the proposed change.

The purpose for this amendment is to add additional language citing the use of "supplemental stairs" in the design of a structure. Section 404 (Atriums) allows the designer the ability to create vertical openings under certain conditions which may also include open exit access stairways as now added in the 2021 code as Section 404.6 Exception 5 and 6. Section 1019.3 Exception 4 further speaks to similar scenarios and provides various limitations when such stairs are not included within the space of an atrium. The issue lies in the fact that such designs were believed originally intended for use where the stairs were only considered "supplementary" to those otherwise already required for means of egress. This belief is further backed by the commentary's language referencing to such regulatory sections as 712.1.3 as for "escalators and supplemental stairs". An example of this scenario may be an open exit access stairway located within an atrium. The smoke control system must account for the open stair, however such stairways must not be used for primary means of egress systems. Additional enclosed means of egress stairways must be provided in compliance with the rest of the code.

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