



# OKLAHOMA

## Uniform Building Code Commission Staff Comment Form – **BEBF 70**

### BEBF Technical Committee

Review of the 2021 Editions of the International Building Code® (IBC®), International Existing Building Code® (IEBC®), International Fire Code®

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#### Code Change Information

Originating Committee: Fire 2009

Code Modified: 2018 IFC

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#### Which area of the code (Section, Table, Figure) was revised?

IFC Chapter 11, Section 1103.4.2

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#### Previous change:

**1103.4.2 Three to five stories.** In other than Group I-2 and I-3 occupancies, interior vertical openings connecting three to five stories shall be protected by either 1-hour fire-resistant-rated construction or an automatic sprinkler system shall be installed throughout the building in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. Exceptions:

- (A) Vertical opening protection is not required for Group R-3 occupancies.
- (B) Vertical opening protection is not required for open parking garages.
- (C) Vertical opening protection for escalators shall be in accordance with Section 1103.4.5, 1103.4.6 or 1103.4.7.
- (D) Exit access stairways and ramps shall be in accordance with Section 1103.4.8.
- (E) Vertical openings that comply with the requirements of Section 802.2.1 of the IEBC®.

#### Historical information:

This modification was originally made to the 2009 adoption of the IFC. It was carried forward into the 2015 and 2018 adoptions. The modification adds a 5<sup>th</sup> exception to the section for compliance with Section 802.2.1 of the IEBC. The intention of the change was to reduce issues between the two codes.