

# HB163 INTRODUCED



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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing federal law, the National Clean Air Act authorizes the use of certain acceptable alternative refrigerants used in various appliances. The alternative refrigerants are not included within the currently adopted version of the state building codes.

This bill would authorize the use of the federally accepted alternative refrigerants.

A BILL  
TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

Relating to building codes; to authorize the use of certain refrigerants and refrigerant-equipped products that are in compliance with the National Clean Air Act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. (a) No provision of the state building code, or any municipal or county building code, or any other law or rule, may prohibit or otherwise limit the use of a substitute refrigerant or substitute refrigerant-equipped product that complies with the National Clean Air Act pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 7671k and regulations adopted thereunder.



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29           (b) Any heating, ventilation, air conditioning, or  
30 refrigeration equipment containing a refrigerant described in  
31 subsection (a) shall be listed and installed in accordance  
32 with all applicable safety standards and use conditions  
33 imposed pursuant to the designation.

34           Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first  
35 day of the third month following its passage and approval by  
36 the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.