

**ORDINARY PROPOSAL #1** — Amend NECA Standing Policy Statement #3, Local and State Legislation  
(Submitted by the NECA Codes & Standards Committee)

**Current Language**

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**Local and State Legislation**

The National Electrical Contractors Association is a National Association devoted to the interests of the electrical contracting industry in the nation as a whole. The determination of the desirability of any State or local legislation or the form thereof is left for the decision of the electrical contractors in each locality or State acting individually or through their autonomous Chapters.

NECA believes that it is in the public interest and the interest of the electrical contracting industry throughout the United States as a whole that there be adopted local codes providing safety standards for electrical installations, and believes that the requirements of the most recently published edition of the National Electrical Code® together with provisions for proper inspection represents the minimum necessary in the interests of the public and the industry. It recognizes, however, that any political subdivision may adopt higher standards where local conditions warrant and a greater degree of public safety from hazards is deemed desirable.

*(Adopted Jan. 4, 1955)*  
*(Revised Nov. 6, 1959, Oct. 6, 1979, Oct. 3, 2015)*

**Comment from NECA National Office:**

The proposed changes clarify the intent of the standing policy, therefore this proposal is recommended **FOR** adoption.

**Proposed Language**

(~~strikeover~~ indicates deleted language;  
underline indicates new language;  
{ } indicates source or new location)

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NECA believes that it is in the public interest and the interest of the electrical contracting industry throughout the United States as a whole that local codes based on national codes be adopted to provide ~~there be adopted local codes providing~~ safety standards for electrical installations, and believes that the requirements of the most recently published edition of the National Electrical Code® together with provisions for proper inspection represents the minimum necessary in the interests of the public and the industry. The association also ~~It~~ recognizes, however, that any political subdivision may adopt higher standards where local conditions warrant and a greater degree of public safety from hazards is deemed desirable.

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