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Indiana Code You Are Commenting On:	2014 Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13-2.6)
Comment or Proposal:	Please adopt the 2021 Version of the International Building Code. The current 2014 Indiana Building Code references the 2012 International Building Code. Over the past 9 years, research has come out that has significantly improved the life safety aspects and building economy. For safety, the updated research includes, but is not limited to: the design of steel storage racks, guidance for high strength steel and bolts, and structural integrity. For both economics and sustainability, the updates include, but are not limited to: decreased design wind speeds, allowance for more robust design of cold-formed steel structures, more

economic design allowed for steel plate connections.

The updates to the code, particularly, the updated referenced standards will help economize while maintaining the integrity of new construction. The decrease in wind speed will significantly decrease both materials and labor for the construction of new buildings. This will help maintain the competitiveness of the state as a place for outsiders to move, start, and grow businesses.

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