

1       AN ACT relating to the Kentucky Building Code.

2       *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3           ➔ SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 198B IS CREATED TO  
4       READ AS FOLLOWS:

5       *The Kentucky Building Code shall permit less than six (6) stories of Residential Group*  
6       *R-2 occupancy, as defined in the building code, to be served by a single exit if:*

7       *(1) The building does not:*

8           *(a) Have more than six (6) stories above grade plane; and*

9           *(b) Contain more than four (4) dwelling units on any floor;*

10       *(2) An exterior or interior stairway is provided;*

11       *(3) (a) A corridor separates each dwelling unit entry or exit door from the door to*  
12           *an interior exit stairway, including any related exit passageway on each*  
13           *floor; and*

14       *(b) The dwelling unit doors do not open directly into an interior exit stairway,*  
15           *but may open directly into an exterior stairway;*

16       *(4) There is no more than twenty (20) feet of travel to the exit stairway from the entry*  
17           *or exit door of any dwelling unit;*

18       *(5) Travel distance measured in accordance with the building code does not exceed*  
19           *one hundred twenty-five (125) feet;*

20       *(6) Other occupancies in the same building do not have access to the Residential*  
21           *Group R-2 occupancy portion of the building or with the single-exit stairway.*  
22           *This shall not include parking garages and occupied roofs that are part of the*  
23           *Residential Group R-2 occupancy that may have access to the exit stairway;*

24       *(7) The exit serving the Residential Group R-2 occupancy does not discharge*  
25           *through any other occupancy, including an attached parking garage; and*

26       *(8) There are no openings within ten (10) feet of unprotected openings into the*  
27           *stairway other than required exit doors having a one (1) hour fire-resistance*

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