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##### **Sec. 5-1. Seismic design of new construction and major renovations for earthquake preparedness.**

1. Any new construction or major structural renovation begun after January 1, 1991, all building for which leases are executed by political subdivisions of the state after January 1, 1964, and all buildings for which leases are executed by the state or any institution of higher education after January 1, 1994, shall comply with the standards for seismic design and construction of the building officials and code administrators code or of the uniform building code.
2. This section shall not apply to any building owned by the state, institution of higher education, any political subdivision upon which construction was begun or finished before the effective date of this section, any private structure with less than ten thousand square feet in total area, or any single family or duplex residence.
3. As used in this section, the term “major structural renovation” means any reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvement of an existing structure, the cost of which equals or exceeds fifty percent of the market value of the structure before the start of construction of the major structural renovation.

(Ord. 155, §§1-3)

