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Section 107.3.5

Question:

Is it the intent of this section that review is not required for replacement of mechanical units per exemption #1

Answer

Plan reviews are specifically exempted from being required for the change-out of an existing A/C system. The requirements of the A/C calculations by Florida Statutes and the Energy Code do not require the submittal of house plans in order to obtain their permit for A/C unit replacements.

Commentary:

The code official should establish a procedure for accepting/documenting the required system sizing calculations that does not violate the building code.
Commentary: One way to accomplish this task is to have the inspector verify the data inputs of the sizing calculation in the field to ensure the submitted calculation represents the structure being permitted.

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