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602.1.3 Registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation. For purposes of this section, and where it is required that documents be prepared by a registered design professional, the code official is authorized to require the owner to engage and designate on the building permit application a registered design professional who shall act as the registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation. Modelers engaged by the registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation shall be certified by an approved accrediting entity. Where the circumstances require, the owner shall designate a substitute registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation who shall perform the duties required of the original registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation. The code official shall be notified in writing by the owner whenever the registered design professional in responsible charge of building energy simulation is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties.

Reason: The requirement for a registered design professional in responsible charge is a defined term and is recognized in practice. Adding to the term a qualifier for energy modeling adds a level of complexity that isn’t recognized in any form by a sanctioning body and adds confusion to the professions.

Cost Impact: Will not increase the cost of construction.