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This ordinance has far-reaching effects on every new building in Kansas City.

Some factoids regarding proposed Ordinance 240434:

- The Greater Kansas City Homebuilders' Association (which wrote Ordinance 240434) proposes to replace the current building code process with the little-used Home Energy Rating System (HERS) so they can build less energy efficient houses. This will be more costly for buyers/homeowners in the long run.
- No other municipality in the country uses HERS as its energy code, so KCMO has no data to forecast the likely outcomes of Ordinance 240434, if adopted. Don't allow this untested experiment to become KC law!
- The homebuilders' also wrote language into their ordinance that removes the requirement to test each new house individually for energy efficiency, as mandated under current codes.

Thank you for fighting for energy efficient buildings!

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