To see if the Town will vote to enact Article XVIII of the Town of Ashby By-Laws, entitled "Stretch Energy Code" for the purpose of regulating the design and construction of buildings for the effective use of energy, pursuant to Appendix 120.AA of the Massachusetts Building Code, 780 CMR, the "Stretch Energy Code", including future editions, amendments or modifications thereto, which by-law shall read as follows:

Article XVIII – STRETCH ENERGY CODE

Section 1 – Definitions

Stretch Energy Code – Codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 120 AA of the 8th Edition Massachusetts Building Code, the Stretch Energy Code is an appendix to the Massachusetts building code to improve the energy efficiency of buildings.

Section 2 – Purpose

The purpose of 780 CMR 120 AA is to provide a more energy-efficient alternative to the base energy code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for both new construction and existing buildings.

Section 3 – Applicability

Beginning on January 1, 2013 this code applies to residential and commercial buildings. Buildings not included in this scope shall comply with 780 CMR 13, 34, 61, or 93, as applicable.

Section 4 – Authority

A municipality seeking to ensure that construction within its boundaries is designed and built above the energy efficiency requirements of 780 CMR may mandate adherence to this appendix. 780 CMR 115 AA may be adopted or rescinded by any municipality in the Commonwealth in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 5 – Stretch Code

The Stretch Code, as codified by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards as 780 CMR Appendix 120 AA, including any future editions, amendments or modifications, is herein incorporated by reference into the Town of Ashby Town Bylaws. The Stretch Code is enforceable by the Building Commissioner.

or take any other action related thereto.