Administrative Rule Analysis



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CONSTRUCTION CODE – MECHANICAL CODE

Rule Set No.: 2015-025 LR

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Department: Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

Agency: Bureau of Construction Codes

Enabling Statute: Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act, 1972 PA 230,

MCL 125.1501 et seq.

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BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RULES

The International Code Council publishes the International Mechanical Code, which is systematically revised on a triennial basis. Portions of the International Mechanical Code are adopted and amended by the Bureau of Construction Codes within Part 9a of the Construction Code promulgated pursuant to Section 4 of the Stille-Derossett-Hale Single State Construction Code Act, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1504, which requires the Code to be updated at least triennially. The current rules adopted and amended portions of the 2012 Edition of the International Mechanical Code.

2015-025 LR would amend and rescind rules pertaining to the minimum standards to protect the health and promote the safety and welfare of Michigan residents by regulating the installation and inspection of mechanical equipment and systems within the state in order to update the current rules by adopting and amending portions of the 2015 Edition of the International Mechanical Code; thereby bringing the rules into conformity with actual practices, eliminating unnecessary requirements, and clarifying interpretation.

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED RULES

The rules amended and rescinded by 2015-025 LR would not have a significant fiscal impact on the Bureau of Construction Codes nor on local units of government that are delegated enforcement responsibilities for the Mechanical Code. However, to the extent that the revised rules eliminate unnecessary requirements and clarify interpretation, thereby resulting in shorter inspection times, they could engender indeterminate, yet likely nominal, cost savings for the state and local units of government that conduct or contract for the installation and repair of mechanical equipment and systems requiring inspection under the Mechanical Code.

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