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**AGENCY REPORT TO THE  
JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES (JCAR)**

**1. Agency Information**

**Agency name:**

Licensing and Regulatory Affairs

**Division/Bureau/Office:**

Bureau of Construction Codes

**Name of person completing this form:**

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**Name of Department Regulatory Affairs Officer reviewing this form:**

Elizabeth Arasim

**2. Rule Set Information**

**MOAHR assigned rule set number:**

2022-56 LR

**Title of proposed rule set:**

Construction Codes - Part 7. Plumbing Code

**3. Purpose for the proposed rules and background:**

Part 7 of the Construction Code currently adopts by reference the 2018 edition of the International Plumbing Code (IPC), which is based on plumbing principles and plumbing codes across the country. Part 7 also includes rules that amend the IPC, address plumbing practices that are specific to Michigan, and deletes those requirements in the IPC that do not pertain to Michigan because of the State's geographic and environmental features. The proposed rules will adopt by reference the 2021 edition of the IPC with amendments, deletions, and additions deemed necessary for use in Michigan.

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**4. Summary of proposed rules:**

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### **5. List names of newspapers in which the notice of public hearing was published and publication dates:**

The Morning Sun - Published on August 4, 2023.  
The Oakland Press - Published on August 4, 2023.  
The Mining Journal - Published on August 3, 2023.

### **6. Date of publication of rules and notice of public hearing in Michigan Register:**

9/1/2023

### **7. Date, time, and location of public hearing:**

9/8/2023 09:00 AM at Michigan Library & Historical Center. First Floor Forum , Michigan Historical Center, 702 W Kalamazoo St, Lansing, MI 48915

### **8. Provide the link the agency used to post the regulatory impact statement and cost-benefit analysis on its website:**

<https://ARS.apps.lara.state.mi.us/Transaction/RFRTransaction?TransactionID=1415>

### **9. List of the name and title of agency representative(s) who attended the public hearing:**

Mr. Tony Williamson, Departmental Analyst, Bureau of Construction Codes.  
Mr. Matthew Hohman, Lead Plumbing Inspector, Bureau of Construction Codes.  
Ms. Tracie Pack, Manager, Building Trades Section, Bureau of Construction Codes.

### **10. Persons submitting comments of support:**

No persons submitted comments in support of the proposed rules.

### **11. Persons submitting comments of opposition:**

No persons submitted comments in opposition of the proposed rules.

### **12. Persons submitting other comments:**

1. Dave Watson (Dave Watson Associates).
2. Kevin Roby (City of Novi, Department of Public Works, Water and Sewer Division).
3. Ken Johnson (Guardian Plumbing).
4. William Hordyk, representing the Metro Building Inspectors Association of Greater Grand Rapids.
5. Larry D'Ascenzo (Guardian Plumbing).
6. William Grayzar (Code Study Development Group of Southwestern Michigan).
7. Scott Hamilton (ASSE International Code Committee).
8. Lisa Reiheld (PMG Technical Resources).

**13. Identify any changes made to the proposed rules based on comments received during the public comment period:**

|   | <b>Name &amp; Organization</b>  | <b>Comments made at public hearing</b> | <b>Written Comments</b>  | <b>Agency Rationale for Rule Change and Description of Change(s) Made</b>   | <b>Rule number &amp; citation changed</b> |
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| 1 | William Hordyk, (Metro Building Inspectors Association of Greater Grand Rapids) |  | Mr. Hordyk explained in his comments that in R 408.30701 code references are incorrect when compared to the most current version of the international plumbing code. | The agency supports the recommended change to R 408.30701. While reviewing Mr. Hordyk's written comments, the agency found additional code reference errors between the international plumbing code and the draft rule. These technical changes were also incorporated into this draft. | R 408.30701                               |

**14. Date report completed:**

10/18/2023