

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

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HOUSE BILL NO. 206

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the plumbing code."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 * Section 1. AS 18.60.705 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 18.60.705. PLUMBING CODE. (a) The following publications
10 are adopted [DEPARTMENT OF LABOR SHALL ADOPT,] as the official minimum
11 plumbing code for the state: [,]

12 (1) the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1985 [1979] edition, adopted
13 at the 54th [49th] Annual Conference, September, 1983 [1978], Interna-
14 tional Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, chs. 1 -- 13
15 and appendices, Useful Tables, and Installation Standards, but exclud-
16 ing Part I, Administration, pages 1a -- 6a, and subject to AS 18.60.-
17 710 -- 18.60.740 and the changes specified in (b) of this section;

18 (2) the Uniform Solar Energy Code, 1985 edition, adopted at
19 the 54th Annual Conference, September, 1983, International Association
20 of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, chs. 1 -- 9 and appendices, but
21 excluding Part I, Administration, pages 3 -- 9; and

22 (3) the Uniform Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Code, 1985
23 edition, adopted at the 54th Annual Conference, September, 1983,
24 International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, chs.
25 1 -- 5, but excluding Part I, Administration, pages 1 -- 9.

26 (b) The 1985 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code adopted under
27 (a)(1) of this section is adopted with the following changes:

28 (1) on page 37, chapter 4, Drainage Systems, section 401,
29 Materials, subsection (a), sub-subsection (2), all material is

1 excluded and the following language is adopted:

2 "(2) ABS or PVC installations may not be used in a
3 hotel or motel and are limited to residential combustible con-
4 struction of two stories or less."

5 (2) on page 45, chapter 5, Vents and Venting, section 503,
6 Materials, subsection (a), sub-subsection (2), all material is exclud-
7 ed and the following language is adopted:

8 "(2) ABS or PVC installations may not be used in a
9 hotel or motel and are limited to residential combustible
10 construction of two stories or less."

11 (3) on page 75, chapter 10, Water Distribution, section
12 1004, Materials, subsection (a), the second and third sentences are
13 excluded and the following language is adopted:

14 "Asbestos-cement, PE, or PVC water pipe that is manufactured
15 to recognized standards may be used for cold water distribution
16 systems outside a building. CPVC and PB water pipe and tubing
17 may be used for hot and cold water distribution systems within a
18 residential combustible building of two stories or less other
19 than a hotel or motel."

20 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, CPVC, PVC, and
21 PB plastic pipes may be used for fire control sprinkler systems. The
22 department may approve other types of plastic pipes for use in fire
23 control sprinkler systems.

24 * Sec. 2. AS 18.60.740(1) is amended to read:

25 (1) "code" means the 1985 editions of the Uniform Plumbing
26 Code, the Uniform Solar Energy Code, and the Uniform Swimming Pool,
27 Spa and Hot Tub Code [1979 EDITION], adopted at the 54th [49th] Annual
28 Conference, September, 1983 [1978], International Association of
29 Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, as adopted and modified in

1 AS 18.60.705;

2 * Sec. 3. Notwithstanding AS 18.60.705(a) and (b), as enacted in sec. 1
3 of this Act, if plastic pipe that is made from a substance permitted under
4 the official state plumbing code as amended by this Act was installed in a
5 plumbing or drainage system before the effective date of this Act, the
6 manner in which that pipe was installed is considered acceptable under the
7 official state plumbing code, as amended by this Act, if the manner of
8 installation met the requirements of the state or local plumbing code that
9 was in effect at the time of the installation.