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AN ACT

Establishing the official state plumbing code.

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

* Section 1. AS 18.60 is amended by adding new sections to read:

ARTICLE 7. PLUMBING CODE.

Sec. 18.60.680. PLUMBING CODE. The Department of Labor shall adopt, as the official minimum plumbing code for the state, the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1970 edition, adopted at the 40th annual conference, September, 1969, International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, Part II and chs. 1 - 13 and appendices, but excluding Part I, Administration, pages 1a - 7a, and subject to secs. 690 - 750 of this chapter.

Sec. 18.60.690. DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT. The department is responsible for the administration of the code. The department may promulgate regulations designed for maximum practical implementation of the code, and may grant exceptions from specific code provisions, where distance or other factors make implementation impractical. Specific consideration shall be given to outlying villages and sparsely populated areas to ensure that secs. 680 - 750 of this chapter will not impose an undue financial burden. The department may by regulation designate appropriate inspection to a public or private utility company. A company so designated may refuse utility connections if an installation does not meet the requirements of this code.

Sec. 18.60.700. ADMINISTRATION. (a) The code applies to all new construction, all new work in relocated

buildings and to any alteration, repairs or reconstruction of buildings except as provided otherwise under secs. 680 - 750 of this chapter.

(b) The department may inspect work installed, removed, altered, or replaced on any plumbing, gas or drainage piping, plumbing fixture, water heater or water treating equipment in a building or other location. No permit or inspection is required for the following work: the stopping of leaks in drains, soil, waste or vent pipes, the clearing of stoppages in or repairing of leaks in pipe valves or fixtures, repairs or alterations not of a substantive nature which can be reasonably exempted from inspection.

(c) Nothing in secs. 680 - 750 of this chapter prohibits a person from performing plumbing work on his own property.

Sec. 18,60,710. COST OF PERMITS. (a) If the department by regulation requires permits for plumbing work, fees may not exceed the following:

(1) for issuing each permit	\$ 2.00
(2) a permit for each	
(A) plumbing fixture or trap or set of fixtures on one trap, including water, drainage piping and backflow protection.	1.50
(B) building sewer or trailer park sewer	5.00
(C) drain in rainwater system.	2.00
(D) cesspool	5.00
(E) private sewage disposal system	10.00
(F) water heater and/or vent	1.50
(G) gas piping system of one to five outlets.	1.50
(H) gas piping system of six or more outlets, per outlet.30
(I) industrial waste pretreatment interceptor, including its trap and vent, but excluding kitchen type grease interceptors functioning as fixture traps.	1.00
(J) installation, alteration or repair of water piping or water treating equipment.	1.50
(K) repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping.	1.50
(L) lawn sprinkler system or any one meter which includes backflow protection devices	2.00

(3) for vacuum breakers or backflow protective devices on tanks, vats, or for installation on unprotected plumbing fixtures including necessary water piping

(A) one to five. 2.00

(B) over five, each.30

(b) The department shall keep a record of all fees collected and all inspections performed.

Sec. 18.60.720. ENFORCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE. (a) A department inspector shall give written notice to the owner of a constructed premise or the contractor of a premise under construction of each violation of the code. The notice of violation shall accurately describe the violation and give specific reference to the section and paragraph of the code. In addition, the notice shall prescribe the necessary changes so that the work will comply with the code.

(b) In case of complaints by a contractor, builder or installer charging arbitrary actions or incompetence on the part of an inspector the commissioner, after reviewing written presentation of the dispute, may require reinspection by a new inspector who has no connection with either disputant.

Sec. 18.60.730. PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS. A person who violates a provision of the code, and who, after receiving the notification required by sec. 720 of this chapter, refuses to correct the violation, after proof of such violation is subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000.

Sec. 18.60.740. BOROUGH OR CITY REGULATIONS. Secs. 680 - 750 of this chapter do not affect the authority of any municipality to prescribe by ordinance, rule or order, standards for their respective areas of jurisdiction no less stringent than those established under sec. 680 of this chapter. This chapter is not intended to duplicate or preempt code administration or enforcement by municipalities. Any organized municipality or unorganized village having less than 2,500 population is exempt from the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 18.60.750. DEFINITIONS. In secs. 680 - 750 of this chapter

(1) "code" means the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1970 edition, adopted at the 40th Annual Conference, September 1969, International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials;

(2) "commissioner" means the commissioner of labor;

(3) "department" means the Department of Labor;

(4) "inspector" means a qualified inspector employed by, designated by, or under contract to the

Department of Labor,

* Sec. 2. AS 23.05.060 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(6) administer and promulgate regulations necessary to carry out AS 18.60.680 - 18.60.750.

* Sec. 3. AS 18.05.040 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(b) No regulation may be promulgated under (a) of this section which duplicates, conflicts with, or is inconsistent with AS 18.60.680 - 18.60.750.