HOUSE BILL No. 6079

December 5, 2012, Introduced by Reps. Wayne Schmidt and Opsommer and referred to the Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1984 PA 192, entitled

"Forbes mechanical contractors act,"

by amending the title and sections 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, and 16 (MCL 338.972, 338.973, 338.975, 338.976, 338.977, 338.978, 338.980, 338.981, 338.983, 338.984, 338.985, and 338.986), section 3 as amended by 2006 PA 197, sections 6, 11, and 16 as amended by 2010 PA 149, section 7 as amended by 1998 PA 300, and section 10 as amended by 2008 PA 372, and by adding sections 2a, 5a, 6a, 8a, 10a, 10b, and 11a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

TITLE

An act to regulate the use, installation, alteration, and servicing of specified heating, cooling, ventilating, and refrigerating equipment and systems; TO PROVIDE FOR POWERS AND

- 1 DUTIES FOR STATE AGENCIES AND GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISIONS; to create
- 2 a board of mechanical rules; to provide for the licensing AND
- 3 REGISTRATION of installing contractors, OF JOURNEY AND APPRENTICE
- 4 TECHNICIANS, and of servicing contractors of heating, cooling,
- 5 ventilating, and refrigerating equipment and systems; to prescribe
- 6 fees; to provide for the promulgation of rules; and to prescribe
- 7 REMEDIES AND penalties.
- 8 Sec. 2. $\frac{(1)}{}$ As used in this act:
- 9 (a) "Board" means the board of mechanical rules.
- 10 (b) "Department" means the department of labor.
- 11 (c) "Air conditioning" means the process of treating air to
- 12 meet the requirements of a conditioned space by controlling, either
- 13 simultaneously or individually, the air's temperature, humidity,
- 14 cleanness, and distribution.
- 15 (d) "Cooling" means air conditioning as defined in subdivision
- 16 (c).
- 17 (e) "Ductwork" means the air distribution arrangement for
- 18 supply, return, and exhaust in air conditioning systems and in
- 19 nonair conditioning systems, the materials and methods of which are
- 20 specified in the Michigan mechanical code, or an equivalent
- 21 nationally recognized model mechanical code. Ductwork includes
- 22 flues, vents, and chimneys.
- 23 (f) "Enforcing agency" means an enforcing agency as defined in
- 24 section 2 of the state construction code act of 1972, Act No. 230
- of the Public Acts of 1972, being section 125.1502 of the Michigan
- 26 Compiled Laws.
- 27 (g) "Equivalent nationally recognized model construction code"

- 1 means a nationally recognized model construction code adopted
- 2 pursuant to section 8 of the state construction code act of 1972,
- 3 Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, being section 125.1508 of
- 4 the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 5 (h) "Equivalent nationally recognized model mechanical code"
- 6 means a nationally recognized model mechanical code adopted
- 7 pursuant to section 8 of the state construction code act of 1972,
- 8 Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, being section 125.1508 of
- 9 the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 10 (i) "Fire suppression system" means an integrated combination
- 11 of a fire alarm system and fire suppression equipment which as a
- 12 result of predetermined temperature, rate of temperature rise,
- 13 products of combustion, flame, or human intervention will discharge
- 14 a fire extinguishing substance over a fire area.
- 15 (j) "Governmental subdivision" means a governmental
- 16 subdivision as defined in section 2 of the state construction code
- 17 act of 1972, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 1972, being section
- 18 125.1502 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 19 (k) "Heating", used alone, means the use of any fuel or
- 20 electricity to generate heat in an air conditioning system. When
- 21 used with a qualifying term such as "hydronic", the term heating
- 22 assumes the limited meaning expressed by such qualification.
- 24 means the application of equipment and systems to provide air
- 25 conditioning for occupants of buildings and structures. HVAC does
- 26 not include the installation of portable self-contained
- 27 refrigeration equipment and window-type air conditioners of not

more than 1-1/2 horsepower. 1 (m) "Hydronic heating and cooling" means the application of 2 equipment and systems which provide air conditioning by the 3 4 controlled forced circulation of fluids or vapors in pipes. (n) "Michigan mechanical code" means part 9 of the general 5 rules of the state construction code commission, being R 408.30907 6 to R 408.30998 of the Michigan administrative code. 7 (o) "Process piping" means any piping which is not part of a 8 system designed to provide air conditioning or of a refrigeration 9 10 system. Process piping includes pipes which transfer chemicals and 11 other fluids, gases, or vapors for systems other than air 12 conditioning systems as covered by the Michigan mechanical code or 13 an equivalent nationally recognized model mechanical code. 14 - (p) "Refrigeration" means the use of equipment and systems, including refrigeration piping, employing the refrigeration cycle 15 to generate low temperatures for other than air conditioning 16 17 equipment and systems. Refrigeration includes such equipment and 18 systems as supermarket refrigeration, industrial refrigeration, the 19 preservation of biological materials, and food storage facilities. Refrigeration does not include the installation of portable self-20 21 contained units such as refrigerators, dehumidifiers, and other 22 similar equipment of not more than 1.5 horsepower or other 23 equipment exempted from the Michigan mechanical code. 24 - (q) "Specialty license" means a license granted pursuant to this act which allows the licensee to perform work within limits 25 26 established by the board in 1 or more of the work classifications

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set forth in section 6(3).

1 (r) "Servicing" means the maintenance, repair, and servicing 2 of previously installed equipment and systems. (s) "State construction code" means the rules promulgated by 3 4 the state construction code commission under section 4 of the state construction code act of 1972, Act No. 230 of the Public Acts of 5 1972, being section 125.1504 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. 6 (t) "Limited heating service" means the servicing of gas-7 designed sectional boilers having inputs of not more than 1 million 8 British thermal units, utilizing a combustion safeguard designed to 9 shut off the main gas supply 10 or more seconds after pilot flame 10 11 failure, and all other gas-fired or solid-fuel equipment and systems limited to input ratings of less than 400,000 British 12 thermal units per unit; or oil-fired equipment and systems designed 13 for the use of number 1 or number 2 fuel oil, having a maximum 14 firing rate of less than 5 gallons per hour per unit; or electrical 15 furnaces and electric boilers using the same kilowatts that are 16 17 equivalent to the fossil fuel British thermal units generated. (u) "Limited refrigeration and air conditioning service" means 18 19 the servicing of refrigeration equipment and systems and air 20 conditioning equipment and systems employing the refrigeration cycle of unlimited capacity utilizing group 1 refrigerants as 21 listed in the Michigan mechanical code or an equivalent nationally 22 23 recognized model mechanical code. (v) "Unlimited heating service" means the servicing of heating 24 25 equipment and systems without restrictions concerning thermal capacity or grade of fuel oil or type of fuel. 26 27 (w) "Unlimited refrigeration and air conditioning service"

- 1 means the servicing of refrigeration equipment and systems and air
- 2 conditioning equipment and systems employing the refrigeration
- 3 eycle unlimited as to thermal capacity or type of refrigerant.
- 4 (A) "AIR CONDITIONING" OR "COOLING" MEANS THE PROCESS OF
- 5 TREATING AIR TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CONDITIONED SPACE BY
- 6 CONTROLLING, EITHER SIMULTANEOUSLY OR INDIVIDUALLY, THE AIR'S
- 7 TEMPERATURE, HUMIDITY, CLEANNESS, AND DISTRIBUTION.
- 8 (B) "APPRENTICE TECHNICIAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS ENGAGED
- 9 IN LEARNING ABOUT AND ASSISTING IN THE INSTALLATION OR SERVICING OF
- 10 MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND WHO IS EMPLOYED BY AND UNDER THE DIRECT
- 11 AND DAILY SUPERVISION OF A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR.
- 12 (C) "BOARD" MEANS THE BOARD OF MECHANICAL RULES.
- 13 (D) "BOILER" MEANS A CLOSED VESSEL IN WHICH WATER IS HEATED,
- 14 STEAM IS GENERATED, OR STEAM IS SUPERHEATED, OR IN WHICH ANY
- 15 COMBINATION OF THOSE FUNCTIONS ARE ACCOMPLISHED, UNDER PRESSURE OR
- 16 VACUUM, BY THE APPLICATION OF HEAT FROM COMBUSTIBLE FUELS, OR
- 17 ELECTRICITY. BOILER DOES NOT INCLUDE A UNIT IN THE PROCESSING
- 18 SYSTEM AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT OF AN INTEGRAL PART OF A CONTINUOUS
- 19 PROCESSING UNIT, BUT DOES INCLUDE A FIRED UNIT FOR HEATING OR
- 20 VAPORIZING LIQUIDS OTHER THAN WATER IF THE UNIT IS SEPARATE FROM A
- 21 PROCESSING SYSTEM AND IS COMPLETE WITHIN ITSELF.
- 22 (E) "CENSURE" MEANS AN EXPRESSION OF DISAPPROVAL OF A
- 23 LICENSEE'S OR REGISTRANT'S PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT, INCLUDING CONDUCT
- 24 THAT IS NOT NECESSARILY A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A RULE
- 25 PROMULGATED OR AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 26 (F) "COMPLETED APPLICATION" MEANS AN APPLICATION THAT IS
- 27 COMPLETE ON ITS FACE AND IS SUBMITTED WITH ANY APPLICABLE LICENSING

- 1 FEES AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION, RECORDS, APPROVAL, SECURITY, OR
- 2 SIMILAR ITEM REQUIRED BY LAW OR RULE FROM A LOCAL UNIT OF
- 3 GOVERNMENT, A FEDERAL AGENCY, OR A PRIVATE ENTITY BUT NOT FROM
- 4 ANOTHER DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THIS STATE.
- 5 (G) "DEPARTMENT" MEANS THE DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND
- 6 REGULATORY AFFAIRS.
- 7 (H) "DIRECTOR" MEANS THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OR HIS OR
- 8 HER AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE.
- 9 (I) "DUCTWORK" MEANS THE AIR DISTRIBUTION ARRANGEMENT FOR
- 10 SUPPLY, RETURN, AND EXHAUST IN AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS AND IN NON-
- 11 AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEMS, THE MATERIALS AND METHODS OF WHICH ARE
- 12 SPECIFIED IN THE CURRENT MICHIGAN MECHANICAL CODE OR MICHIGAN
- 13 RESIDENTIAL CODE.
- 14 (J) "ENFORCING AGENCY" MEANS AN ENFORCING AGENCY AS DEFINED IN
- 15 SECTION 2A OF THE STILLE-DEROSSETT-HALE SINGLE STATE CONSTRUCTION
- 16 CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1502A.
- 17 (K) "FACILITY" MEANS A UTILITY OR INDUSTRIAL BUSINESS HOUSED
- 18 IN A BUILDING OR GROUP OF BUILDINGS AT 1 LOCATION.
- 19 (1) "FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM" MEANS AN INTEGRATED COMBINATION
- 20 OF FIRE SUPPRESSION EQUIPMENT THAT, AS A RESULT OF PREDETERMINED
- 21 TEMPERATURE, RATE OF TEMPERATURE RISE, PRODUCTS OF COMBUSTION,
- 22 FLAME, OR HUMAN INTERVENTION, IS DESIGNED TO DISCHARGE A FIRE
- 23 EXTINGUISHING SUBSTANCE OVER A FIRE AREA.
- 24 (M) "GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION" MEANS A GOVERNMENTAL
- 25 SUBDIVISION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2A OF THE STILLE-DEROSSETT-HALE
- 26 SINGLE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1502A.
- 27 (N) "HEATING" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 (i) USED ALONE, THE USE OF ANY FUEL OR ELECTRICITY TO GENERATE
- 2 HEAT IN AN AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM.
- 3 (ii) USED WITH A QUALIFYING TERM SUCH AS "HYDRONIC", THE TERM
- 4 HEATING ASSUMES THE LIMITED MEANING EXPRESSED BY THAT
- 5 OUALIFICATION.
- 6 (O) "HEATING, VENTILATING, AND AIR CONDITIONING" OR "HVAC"
- 7 MEANS THE APPLICATION OF EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS TO PROVIDE AIR
- 8 CONDITIONING FOR OCCUPANTS OF BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES. HVAC DOES
- 9 NOT INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION OF PORTABLE SELF-CONTAINED
- 10 REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT OR WINDOW-TYPE AIR CONDITIONERS OF NOT MORE
- 11 THAN 1.5 HORSEPOWER.
- 12 (P) "HYDRONIC HEATING AND COOLING" MEANS THE APPLICATION OF
- 13 EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS THAT PROVIDE AIR CONDITIONING BY THE
- 14 CONTROLLED FORCED CIRCULATION OF FLUIDS OR VAPORS IN PIPES.
- 15 (O) "JOURNEY TECHNICIAN" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HOLDS A VALID
- 16 JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT AND WHO ENGAGES IN
- 17 THE PRACTICAL INSTALLATION OR SERVICING OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND
- 18 WHO IS EMPLOYED BY AND UNDER THE DIRECT AND DAILY SUPERVISION OF A
- 19 LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR.
- 20 (R) "LIMITED HEATING SERVICE" MEANS THE SERVICING OF ANY OF
- 21 THE FOLLOWING:
- 22 (i) A GAS-FIRED BOILER THAT HAS AN INPUT RATING THAT DOES NOT
- 23 EXCEED 1,000,000 BRITISH THERMAL UNITS AND UTILIZES A COMBUSTION
- 24 SAFEGUARD DESIGNED TO SHUT OFF THE MAIN GAS SUPPLY 10 OR MORE
- 25 SECONDS AFTER PILOT FLAME FAILURE.
- 26 (ii) ANY OTHER GAS-FIRED OR SOLID-FUEL HEATING EQUIPMENT OR
- 27 SYSTEM THAT HAS AN INPUT RATING OF LESS THAN 400,000 BRITISH

- 1 THERMAL UNITS PER UNIT.
- 2 (iii) AN OIL-FIRED HEATING EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEM THAT IS DESIGNED
- 3 TO USE NUMBER 1 OR NUMBER 2 FUEL OIL AND HAS A MAXIMUM FIRING RATE
- 4 OF LESS THAN 5 GALLONS PER HOUR PER UNIT.
- 5 (iv) AN ELECTRIC FURNACE OR ELECTRICALLY HEATED BOILER RATED AT
- 6 300 KILOWATT HOURS OR LESS BY THE MANUFACTURER.
- 7 (S) "LIMITED REFRIGERATION AND AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE" MEANS
- 8 THE SERVICING OF REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEMS OR THE
- 9 SERVICING OF AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT OR SYSTEMS THAT UTILIZE A
- 10 REFRIGERATION CYCLE OF LIMITED CAPACITY THAT DOES NOT EXCEED 40
- 11 TONS.
- 12 SEC. 2A. AS USED IN THIS ACT:
- 13 (A) "MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR" MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS
- 14 LICENSED UNDER SECTION 6; WHO SUPERVISES THE INSTALLATION AND
- 15 SERVICING OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT; AND WHO IS ENGAGED IN THE
- 16 BUSINESS OF MECHANICAL CONTRACTING FOR A FIXED SUM, PRICE, FEE
- 17 PERCENTAGE, VALUABLE CONSIDERATION, OR OTHER COMPENSATION.
- 18 (B) "MICHIGAN MECHANICAL CODE" MEANS PART 9A OF THE GENERAL
- 19 RULES OF THE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE COMMISSION, R 408.30901A TO R
- 20 408.30995A OF THE MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.
- 21 (C) "MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL CODE" MEANS THE MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL
- 22 CODE PROMULGATED BY THE DIRECTOR UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE STILLE-
- 23 DEROSSETT-HALE SINGLE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL
- 24 125.1504.
- 25 (D) "MINOR REPAIR" MEANS THE REPAIR OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 26 (i) A PORTABLE HEATING OR GAS APPLIANCE.
- 27 (ii) PORTABLE VENTILATION EQUIPMENT.

- 1 (iii) A PORTABLE COOLING UNIT.
- 2 (iv) SELF-CONTAINED REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT OR A WINDOW-TYPE
- 3 AIR CONDITIONER THAT IS NOT RATED AT MORE THAN 1.5 HORSEPOWER.
- 4 (v) AN OIL BURNER THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE CONNECTION TO A FLUE,
- 5 INCLUDING AN OIL STOVE OR A HEATER EQUIPPED WITH A WICK OR SIMILAR
- 6 DEVICE.
- 7 (E) "PROBATION" MEANS A SANCTION THAT PERMITS THE BOARD TO
- 8 EVALUATE OVER A PERIOD OF TIME A LICENSEE'S OR REGISTRANT'S FITNESS
- 9 TO PRACTICE AN OCCUPATION REGULATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 10 (F) "PROCESS PIPING" MEANS ANY PIPING THAT IS NOT PART OF A
- 11 SYSTEM DESIGNED TO PROVIDE AIR CONDITIONING OR OF A REFRIGERATION
- 12 SYSTEM. PROCESS PIPING INCLUDES PIPES THAT TRANSFER CHEMICALS AND
- 13 OTHER FLUIDS, GASES, OR VAPORS FOR SYSTEMS OTHER THAN AIR
- 14 CONDITIONING SYSTEMS THAT ARE COVERED BY THE MICHIGAN MECHANICAL
- 15 CODE.
- 16 (G) "QUALIFIED MAINTENANCE CREW" MEANS 1 OR MORE INDIVIDUALS
- 17 RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS IN A
- 18 FACILITY, AT LEAST 1 OF WHOM HOLDS A CURRENT MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR
- 19 LICENSE IN THE RELEVANT WORK CLASSIFICATION UNDER THIS ACT AND WHO
- 20 IS RESPONSIBLE FOR SECURING APPLICABLE PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS.
- 21 (H) "REFRIGERATION" MEANS THE USE OF EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS,
- 22 INCLUDING REFRIGERATION PIPING, THAT EMPLOY THE REFRIGERATION CYCLE
- 23 TO GENERATE LOW TEMPERATURES FOR OTHER THAN AIR CONDITIONING
- 24 EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS. REFRIGERATION INCLUDES EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS
- 25 SUCH AS SUPERMARKET REFRIGERATION, INDUSTRIAL REFRIGERATION, THE
- 26 PRESERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS, AND FOOD STORAGE FACILITIES.
- 27 REFRIGERATION DOES NOT INCLUDE THE INSTALLATION OF PORTABLE SELF-

- 1 CONTAINED UNITS SUCH AS REFRIGERATORS, DEHUMIDIFIERS, OR OTHER
- 2 SIMILAR EQUIPMENT THAT IS NOT RATED MORE THAN 1.5 HORSEPOWER OR
- 3 OTHER EQUIPMENT EXEMPTED FROM THE MICHIGAN MECHANICAL CODE.
- 4 (I) "RESTITUTION" MEANS A REQUIREMENT THAT IF A PERSON IS
- 5 DETERMINED TO HAVE VIOLATED THIS ACT, A RULE PROMULGATED UNDER THIS
- 6 ACT, OR AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT AND CAUSED MONETARY DAMAGE
- 7 TO ANOTHER, THE VIOLATOR IS REQUIRED TO COMPENSATE THE INJURED
- 8 PARTY IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT OF THAT MONETARY
- 9 DAMAGE.
- 10 (J) "SERVICING" MEANS THE MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND SERVICING
- 11 OF PREVIOUSLY INSTALLED EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS.
- 12 (K) "SPECIALTY LICENSE" MEANS A LICENSE GRANTED UNDER THIS ACT
- 13 THAT ALLOWS THE LICENSEE TO PERFORM WORK WITHIN LIMITS ESTABLISHED
- 14 BY THE BOARD IN 1 OR MORE OF THE WORK CLASSIFICATIONS DESCRIBED IN
- 15 SECTION 6(3).
- 16 (l) "STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE" MEANS THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER
- 17 SECTION 4 OF THE STILLE-DEROSSETT-HALE SINGLE STATE CONSTRUCTION
- 18 CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1504.
- 19 (M) "UNLIMITED HEATING SERVICE" MEANS THE SERVICING OF HEATING
- 20 EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS, WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING THERMAL
- 21 CAPACITY OF OR GRADE OF FUEL OIL OR TYPE OF FUEL USED IN THE
- 22 EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS.
- 23 (N) "UNLIMITED REFRIGERATION AND AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE"
- 24 MEANS THE SERVICING OF REFRIGERATION EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS AND AIR
- 25 CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS THAT EMPLOY THE REFRIGERATION
- 26 CYCLE, WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING THERMAL CAPACITY OF OR TYPE
- 27 OF REFRIGERANT USED IN THE EQUIPMENT AND SYSTEMS.

- 1 Sec. 3. (1) There is created within the department a THE board
- 2 of mechanical rules that consists IS CREATED IN THE DEPARTMENT. THE
- 3 BOARDS SHALL CONSIST of the state fire marshal or the state fire
- 4 marshal's designee, who shall be AS a permanent member OF THE
- 5 BOARD, and 14 residents of the state to be WHO ARE appointed by the
- 6 governor with the advice and consent of the senate. Appointed
- 7 members shall be not less than 18 years of age OR OLDER and
- 8 qualified in their respective fields. Appointed members of the
- 9 board shall include 1 person from the general public; a member of
- 10 organized labor representing the mechanical trades; a professional
- 11 mechanical engineer registered LICENSED in this state; a
- 12 representative of an energy-producing public utility of the state;
- 13 a representative from each of the work classifications set forth
- 14 DESCRIBED in section 6(3); and 2 chief mechanical inspectors of
- 15 governmental subdivisions. , 1 of whom enforces the building
- 16 officials and code administrators building code, and 1 of whom
- 17 enforces the international conference of building officials
- 18 building code. A member of the board appointed by the governor
- 19 before January 1, 2007 shall be IS appointed for a term of 2-4
- 20 years, except that THE GOVERNOR SHALL FILL a vacancy shall be
- 21 filled for the unexpired portion of the term. A member of the board
- 22 appointed by the governor after December 31, 2006 shall be
- 23 appointed for a term of 4 years, except that a vacancy shall be
- 24 filled for the unexpired portion of the term. A THE GOVERNOR MAY
- 25 REMOVE A member of the board may be removed from office by the
- 26 governor—in accordance with section 10 of article V of the state
- 27 constitution of 1963. A member of the board who has a pecuniary

- 1 interest in a matter shall disclose that interest before the board
- 2 takes action in the matter, which AND THE BOARD SECRETARY SHALL
- 3 INCLUDE THAT disclosure shall be made a matter of record in THE
- 4 RECORD OF the board's official proceedings. Each member of the
- 5 board, except the state fire marshal or the state fire marshal's
- 6 designee, shall receive reimbursement for actual expenses incurred
- 7 by the member in the performance of his or her duties as a member
- 8 of the board, subject to available appropriations. Travel THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT SHALL REIMBURSE AN APPOINTED MEMBER OF THE BOARD FOR
- 10 TRAVEL or other expenses incurred by a THAT member of a board in
- 11 the performance of an official function shall be payable by the
- 12 department pursuant to the standardized travel regulations of the
- 13 department of TECHNOLOGY, management, and budget, subject to
- 14 available appropriations. A member of the board shall not serve
- 15 more than 2 consecutive terms.
- 16 (2) At the first meeting of each year, the board shall elect
- 17 from its membership a vice-chairperson and A CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR
- 18 OF THE BOARD AND A secretary . The vice-chairperson and secretary
- 19 shall be elected from those members appointed to the board by the
- 20 governor, except that the board members who are chief mechanical
- 21 inspectors are not eligible for election as vice-chairperson VICE-
- 22 CHAIR of the board. After December 31, 2006, the governor shall
- 23 designate 1 member of the board to serve as chairperson at the
- 24 pleasure of the governor.
- 25 Sec. 5. (1) The board may recommend to the state construction
- 26 code commission the promulgation of DIRECTOR SHALL PROMULGATE rules
- 27 UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL

- 1 24.201 TO 24.328, AS HE OR SHE CONSIDERS necessary for the safe
- 2 design, construction, installation, alteration, servicing, and
- 3 inspection of heating, cooling, ventilating, and refrigerating
- 4 systems used in compliance with the Michigan mechanical code AND
- 5 MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL CODE, and TO FURTHER DEFINE MINOR REPAIRS. THE
- 6 DIRECTOR may recommend modifications, additions, or deletions TO
- 7 THE LEGISLATURE ANY CHANGES to this act to update and maintain this
- 8 act as an effective and enforceable instrument. HE OR SHE CONSIDERS
- 9 APPROPRIATE. The board may also recommend to the state construction
- 10 code commission, after testing and evaluating a material, product,
- 11 method of manufacture, or method of construction or installation
- 12 for acceptability under the code, that the commission issue
- 13 certificates of acceptability FOR THAT MATERIAL, PRODUCT, OR
- 14 METHOD.
- 15 (2) The board DIRECTOR, in consultation with the department,
- 16 BOARD, may promulgate rules pursuant to UNDER the administrative
- 17 procedures act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969,
- 18 being sections 24.201 to 24.315 of the Michigan Compiled Laws 1969
- 19 PA 306, MCL 24.201 TO 24.328, to provide an examination procedure
- 20 for applicants for licensure_LICENSES under this act. Before an
- 21 examination or other test required under this act is administered,
- 22 the department and the board, acting jointly, shall review and
- 23 approve the form and content of the examination or other test.
- SEC. 5A. (1) A PERSON SHALL NOT ENGAGE IN, OR WORK AT, THE
- 25 BUSINESS OF A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, JOURNEY TECHNICIAN, OR
- 26 APPRENTICE TECHNICIAN UNLESS LICENSED OR REGISTERED BY THE
- 27 DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS ACT. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTIONS (2),

- 1 (3), AND (4), ONLY A LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR OR JOURNEY
- 2 TECHNICIAN OR A REGISTERED APPRENTICE MAY PERFORM INSTALLATION OR
- 3 SERVICING OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT. A LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR
- 4 SHALL BE IN CHARGE AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROPER INSTALLATION OF
- 5 MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT AND MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MICHIGAN
- 6 MECHANICAL CODE AND MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL CODE. A PERSON SHALL NOT
- 7 INSTALL MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT UNLESS THE MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR WHO
- 8 IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INSTALLATION OBTAINS A MECHANICAL PERMIT
- 9 FROM THIS STATE OR A GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE
- 10 MECHANICAL PERMITS.
- 11 (2) A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED FOR MINOR
- 12 REPAIRS OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT.
- 13 (3) A HOMEOWNER WHO OWNS AND OCCUPIES OR WILL OWN AND OCCUPY A
- 14 SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING MAY INSTALL HIS OR HER OWN MECHANICAL
- 15 EQUIPMENT IN THAT SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLING IF A PERMIT IS OBTAINED
- 16 UNDER SECTION 10 OF THE STILLE-DEROSSETT-HALE SINGLE STATE
- 17 CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1510.
- 18 (4) THIS ACT DOES NOT PREVENT A PERSON FROM PERFORMING ANY
- 19 ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SCOPE OF A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION UNDER ANY
- 20 OTHER LICENSURE OR REGISTRATION ACT OR ANY CODES APPLICABLE TO THAT
- 21 LICENSED OR REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ADOPTED AS PROVIDED BY LAW.
- 22 Sec. 6. (1) Upon the filing of IF AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE
- 23 AS A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR FILES an application on a form
- 24 prescribed by the department and payment of PAYS the examination
- 25 fee prescribed in REQUIRED UNDER section 10, the department shall
- 26 conduct examinations DETERMINE IF THE APPLICATION IS A COMPLETED
- 27 APPLICATION. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PERFORM AN EXAMINATION OF AN

- 1 APPLICANT THAT FILES A COMPLETED APPLICATION to establish the HIS
- 2 OR HER qualifications and competency of applicants seeking
- 3 licensing for the category FOR A LICENSE AS A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR
- 4 IN THE WORK CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) for which
- 5 the application is submitted and shall issue licenses to those who
- 6 pass the examinations and pay A LICENSE IN THAT CLASSIFICATION IF
- 7 THE APPLICANT PASSES THE EXAMINATION AND PAYS the initial issuance
- 8 fee. , except as otherwise provided for in this act. An applicant
- 9 who seeks licensure in A LICENSE FOR more than 1 work
- 10 classification listed DESCRIBED in subsection (3) on a single
- 11 application shall—IS only be—required to pay 1 examination fee and
- 12 1 initial issuance fee as provided in UNDER section 10.
- 13 (2) An applicant is not considered eligible for AN examination
- 14 unless the applicant is UNDER THIS SECTION IF HE OR SHE MEETS ALL
- 15 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 16 (A) IS of good moral character, as defined in section 1 of
- 17 1974 PA 381, MCL 338.41. , and has
- 18 (B) MEETS 1 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 19 (i) UNLESS SUBPARAGRAPH (ii) APPLIES, HAS a minimum of $\frac{3}{2}$ years
- 20 of experience AS AN EMPLOYEE, AND UNDER THE SUPERVISION, OF A
- 21 LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, or HAS an equivalent of that
- 22 experience acceptable to the board, upon proper showing to the
- 23 department, in 1 or more of the work classifications listed
- 24 DESCRIBED in subsection (3).
- 25 (ii) IF THE APPLICANT FILES HIS OR HER LICENSE APPLICATION IN
- 26 THE 1-YEAR PERIOD THAT BEGINS ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE
- 27 AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, HAS A MINIMUM OF 3

- 1 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS AN EMPLOYEE, AND UNDER THE SUPERVISION, OF A
- 2 LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, OR HAS AN EQUIVALENT OF THAT
- 3 EXPERIENCE ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD, IN 1 OR MORE OF THE WORK
- 4 CLASSIFICATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3).
- 5 (C) FOR PURPOSES OF SUBDIVISION (B), SUBMITS AN AFFIDAVIT TO
- 6 THE DEPARTMENT BY THE LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR WHO SUPERVISED
- 7 THE APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT THAT DESCRIBES THE APPLICANT'S WORK
- 8 EXPERIENCE.
- 9 (3) A contractor's license obtained shall be classified and
- 10 limited as IF IT GRANTS A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE UNDER
- 11 THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CLASSIFY AND LIMIT THAT LICENSE TO $1\,$
- 12 or more of the following:
- 13 (a) Hydronic heating and cooling and process piping.
- 14 (b) HVAC equipment.
- 15 (c) Ductwork.
- 16 (d) Refrigeration.
- 17 (e) Limited service, heating or refrigeration, AND AIR
- 18 CONDITIONING.
- 19 (f) Unlimited service, heating or refrigeration, AND AIR
- 20 CONDITIONING.
- 21 (q) Fire suppression.
- 22 (h) Specialty ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIALTY CLASSIFICATIONS
- 23 ESTABLISHED IN RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 24 (4) THE MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S EXAMINATION UNDER THIS SECTION
- 25 SHALL INCLUDE QUESTIONS DESIGNED TO TEST AN APPLICANT'S KNOWLEDGE
- 26 OF THIS ACT, ANY RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, THE STILLE-
- 27 DEROSSETT-HALE SINGLE STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE ACT, 1972 PA 230, MCL

- 1 125.1501 TO 125.1531, AND THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT
- 2 PROCEDURES OF THE CODE APPROVED BY THE BOARD. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL
- 3 HOLD OR ARRANGE FOR THE HOLDING OF MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR
- 4 EXAMINATIONS 4 TIMES EACH YEAR.
- 5 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT RENEW A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S
- 6 LICENSE UNLESS THE MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR DEMONSTRATES TO THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT THAT HE OR SHE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ALL OF THE
- 8 FOLLOWING IN THE CONTRACTOR'S CURRENT 3-YEAR LICENSE PERIOD:
- 9 (A) IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGES TO THE MICHIGAN MECHANICAL CODE
- 10 IN THAT 3-YEAR PERIOD, A 5-HOUR COURSE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT
- 11 CONCERNING THOSE CHANGES, HELD WITHIN 12 MONTHS AFTER THOSE CHANGES
- 12 WERE EFFECTIVE.
- 13 (B) TEN HOURS OF ADDITIONAL COURSES APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT
- 14 RELATING TO RULES, LAWS, REFERENCED STANDARDS, OR INDUSTRY
- 15 PRACTICES.
- 16 SEC. 6A. (1) IF AN APPLICANT FOR A LICENSE AS A JOURNEY
- 17 TECHNICIAN FILES AN APPLICATION ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE
- 18 DEPARTMENT AND PAYS THE EXAMINATION FEE REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 10,
- 19 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE IF THE APPLICATION IS A COMPLETED
- 20 APPLICATION. EXCEPT FOR AN APPLICANT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6),
- 21 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT AN EXAMINATION OF AN APPLICANT THAT
- 22 FILES A COMPLETED APPLICATION TO ESTABLISH HIS OR HER
- 23 QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCY FOR A LICENSE AS A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN
- 24 IN THE WORK CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) FOR WHICH
- 25 THE APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A LICENSE
- 26 IN THAT CLASSIFICATION TO AN APPLICANT WHO PASSES THE EXAMINATION,
- 27 OR IS AN APPLICANT DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6), AND PAYS THE

- 1 INITIAL ISSUANCE FEE. AN APPLICANT WHO SEEKS A LICENSE FOR MORE
- 2 THAN 1 WORK CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3) ON A SINGLE
- 3 APPLICATION IS ONLY REQUIRED TO PAY 1 EXAMINATION FEE AND 1 INITIAL
- 4 ISSUANCE FEE UNDER SECTION 10.
- 5 (2) AN APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR EXAMINATION UNDER THIS
- 6 SECTION IF HE OR SHE MEETS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) IS AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.
- 8 (B) IS OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER, AS DEFINED IN 1974 PA 381, MCL
- 9 338.41 TO 338.47.
- 10 (C) MEETS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (i) HAS A MINIMUM OF 3 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AS AN EMPLOYEE, AND
- 12 UNDER THE SUPERVISION, OF A LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, OR HAS
- 13 AN EQUIVALENT OF THAT EXPERIENCE ACCEPTABLE TO THE BOARD, IN 1 OR
- 14 MORE OF THE WORK CLASSIFICATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3), AND
- 15 SUBMITS AN AFFIDAVIT TO THE DEPARTMENT BY THE LICENSED MECHANICAL
- 16 CONTRACTOR WHO SUPERVISED THE APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT THAT DESCRIBES
- 17 THE APPLICANT'S WORK EXPERIENCE.
- 18 (ii) HAS AT LEAST 6,000 HOURS OF EXPERIENCE GAINED OVER A
- 19 PERIOD OF AT LEAST 3 YEARS AS AN APPRENTICE TECHNICIAN IN 1 OR MORE
- 20 OF THE WORK CLASSIFICATIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (3).
- 21 (iii) WITHIN THE 5-YEAR PERIOD PRECEDING THE DATE OF HIS OR HER
- 22 APPLICATION, WHILE ON ACTIVE DUTY AS A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES,
- 23 HAS EXPERIENCE IN 1 OR MORE OF THE WORK CLASSIFICATIONS DESCRIBED
- 24 IN SUBSECTION (3), OR IN AN EQUIVALENT JOB CLASSIFICATION, THAT THE
- 25 BOARD DETERMINES IS THE EQUIVALENT OF THE EXPERIENCE DESCRIBED IN
- 26 SUBPARAGRAPH (ii). AS USED IN THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, "ARMED FORCES"
- 27 MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2 OF THE VETERAN RIGHT TO

- 1 EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ACT, 1994 PA 39, MCL 35.1092.
- 2 (D) IF HE OR SHE PREVIOUSLY FAILED THE EXAMINATION UNDER THIS
- 3 SECTION 2 TIMES IN ANY 2-YEAR PERIOD, AT LEAST 1 YEAR HAS PASSED
- 4 SINCE THE DATE OF THE SECOND EXAMINATION HE OR SHE FAILED, AND HE
- 5 OR SHE SUBMITS TO THE BOARD PROOF THAT HE OR SHE HAS SUCCESSFULLY
- 6 COMPLETED A COURSE APPROVED BY THE BOARD ON THE MECHANICAL CODE,
- 7 MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT FUNDAMENTALS, OR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT THEORY.
- 8 (3) IF IT GRANTS A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE UNDER THIS ACT,
- 9 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CLASSIFY AND LIMIT THAT LICENSE TO 1 OR MORE
- 10 OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 11 (A) HYDRONIC HEATING AND COOLING AND PROCESS PIPING.
- 12 (B) HVAC EQUIPMENT.
- 13 (C) DUCTWORK.
- 14 (D) REFRIGERATION.
- 15 (E) LIMITED SERVICE, HEATING OR REFRIGERATION, AND AIR
- 16 CONDITIONING.
- 17 (F) UNLIMITED SERVICE, HEATING OR REFRIGERATION, AND AIR
- 18 CONDITIONING.
- 19 (G) FIRE SUPPRESSION.
- 20 (H) ANY ADDITIONAL SPECIALTY CLASSIFICATIONS ESTABLISHED IN
- 21 RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT.
- 22 (4) THE JOURNEY TECHNICIAN EXAMINATION UNDER THIS SECTION
- 23 SHALL INCLUDE WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL TESTS THAT COVER THE THEORY AND
- 24 PRACTICE OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION AND SERVICING AND
- 25 KNOWLEDGE OF THE MICHIGAN MECHANICAL CODE, RULES, AND REGULATIONS.
- 26 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL HOLD OR ARRANGE FOR THE HOLDING OF JOURNEY
- 27 TECHNICIAN EXAMINATIONS 4 TIMES EACH YEAR.

- 1 (5) AN APPLICANT WHO PROVIDED A CERTIFICATION BY A NATIONALLY
- 2 RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM SHALL RECEIVE A CREDIT AGAINST THE
- 3 REQUIREMENTS OF SUBSECTION (2) (C) (ii). THE BOARD SHALL REVIEW EACH
- 4 NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AND DETERMINE THE
- 5 NUMBER OF HOURS THE DEPARTMENT MUST CREDIT AN APPLICANT UNDER THIS
- 6 SUBSECTION.
- 7 (6) IF AN APPLICANT FOR A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE SUBMITS A
- 8 COMPLETED APPLICATION AND PAYS THE INITIAL ISSUANCE FEE UNDER
- 9 SECTION 10 IN THE 180-DAY PERIOD BEGINNING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
- 10 THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SECTION, AND PROVIDES THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT WITH SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE THAT HE OR SHE HAS BEEN
- 12 EMPLOYED BY A LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR FOR AT LEAST THE LAST
- 13 5 YEARS PERFORMING WORK IN 1 OR MORE OF THE CLASSIFICATIONS HELD BY
- 14 THE LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, THE APPLICANT IS NOT REQUIRED
- 15 TO TAKE AND PASS THE EXAMINATION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) TO
- 16 RECEIVE A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE.
- 17 Sec. 7. (1) Except as provided in subsection—SUBSECTIONS (3)
- 18 AND (4) and section 14, an individual, partnership, association,
- 19 corporation, governmental subdivision, college, or university shall
- 20 not perform installations, alterations, or servicing of work
- 21 classifications under section 6(3), which are AN INSTALLATION,
- 22 ALTERATION, OR SERVICING IN A WORK CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED IN
- 23 SECTION 6(3) THAT IS regulated by UNDER the STILLE-DEROSSETT-HALE
- 24 SINGLE state construction code act, of 1972, 1972 PA 230, MCL
- 25 125.1501 to 125.1531, unless the individual, or an employee of the
- 26 individual, partnership, association, corporation, governmental
- 27 subdivision, college, or university has received a CURRENT

- 1 MECHANICAL contractor's license, from the department, which has not
- 2 been revoked or suspended, and the license is either classified and
- 3 limited as provided in section 6 or is annotated as provided in
- 4 section 8, FOR THAT CLASSIFICATION UNDER THIS ACT, and the holder
- 5 of the MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S license, OR THE PROPERTY OWNER IF
- 6 SUBSECTION (3) APPLIES, has secured the appropriate MECHANICAL
- 7 permit from the enforcing agency charged with the responsibility of
- 8 issuing MECHANICAL permits.
- 9 (2) An individual, partnership, association, corporation,
- 10 governmental subdivision, college, or university which THAT
- 11 performs installations, alterations, or servicing of work
- 12 classifications under section 6(3) AN INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR
- 13 SERVICING IN A WORK CLASSIFICATION DESCRIBED IN SECTION 6(3) shall
- 14 designate the holder of a MECHANICAL contractor's license as
- 15 described in subsection (1) as the contractor of record . The AND
- 16 NOTIFY THE department shall be notified in writing of the THAT
- 17 designation. AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION, CORPORATION,
- 18 GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION, COLLEGE, OR UNIVERSITY MAY NOT DESIGNATE
- 19 MORE THAN 2 ADDITIONAL LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS OF RECORD
- 20 HOLDING THE SAME OR DIFFERENT LICENSE CLASSIFICATIONS FOR AN
- 21 INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR SERVICING DESCRIBED IN THIS
- 22 SUBSECTION. IF AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION,
- 23 CORPORATION, GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION, COLLEGE, OR UNIVERSITY
- 24 DESIGNATES MORE THAN 1 MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR OF RECORD FOR AN
- 25 INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR SERVICING DESCRIBED IN THIS
- 26 SUBSECTION, THOSE LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS ARE JOINTLY AND
- 27 SEVERALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR EXERCISING THE SUPERVISION OF THE

- 1 MECHANICAL INSTALLATION OR MECHANICAL SERVICE WORK TO ENSURE FULL
- 2 COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ACT, THE RULES PROMULGATED UNDER THIS ACT, AND
- 3 ALL OTHER LAWS AND RULES RELATED TO THE INSTALLATION OR SERVICING
- 4 OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT. A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR OF RECORD SHALL
- 5 NOT REPRESENT MORE THAN 1 INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION,
- 6 CORPORATION, GOVERNMENTAL SUBDIVISION, COLLEGE, OR UNIVERSITY IN A
- 7 SINGLE INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR SERVICING DESCRIBED IN THIS
- 8 SUBSECTION.
- 9 (3) If the AN installation, alteration, or service of
- 10 SERVICING IN a work classification under DESCRIBED IN section 6(3)
- 11 is performed without compensation by a person licensed under this
- 12 act for or on behalf of a charitable organization, the permit
- 13 required under subsection (1) may be obtained by MEETS ALL OF THE
- 14 FOLLOWING, the owner of the property on which the work is performed
- 15 . This subsection applies only to MAY OBTAIN THE APPROPRIATE
- 16 MECHANICAL PERMIT REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (1):
- 17 (A) THE INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR SERVICING IS PERFORMED
- 18 WITHOUT COMPENSATION, BY AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED UNDER THIS ACT, AND
- 19 FOR A CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION.
- 20 (B) THE INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, OR SERVICING IS PERFORMED
- 21 ONLY IN CONNECTION WITH the reconstruction, renovation, or
- 22 remodeling of 1- to 4-family dwellings.
- 23 (4) This act does not require a contractor of record in a
- 24 facility that regularly employs a qualified maintenance crew. to
- 25 perform within the facility mechanical contracting work regulated
- 26 by this act.
- 27 (5) As used in this section, "charitable organization" means a

- not for profit tax-exempt religious, educational, or humane
 organization.
- 3 Sec. 8. (1) A person who was not required by statute before
- 4 the effective date of this act to be licensed, and who, on the
- 5 effective date of this act, was engaged in, or worked at, a
- 6 business as a mechanical contractor in 1 or more of the work
- 7 classifications set forth in section 6(3), and who is required to
- 8 be licensed under this act, shall, upon furnishing the department
- 9 with satisfactory evidence of having been engaged in a business as
- 10 a mechanical contractor in 1 or more of the work classifications
- 11 set forth in section 6(3) for a minimum of 3 out of the 5 years
- 12 immediately preceding the effective date of this act, and of having
- 13 the necessary qualifications, shall be granted the license for
- 14 which the applicant seeks licensure without examination, if the
- 15 applicant makes application within 1 year after the effective date
- 16 of this act and pays the initial license fee prescribed in section
- 17 10. If the applicant is approved for licensing, the applicant's
- 18 license shall be annotated showing the work classification or
- 19 classifications listed in section 6(3) in which the applicant has
- 20 demonstrated the requisite experience to engage.
- 21 (2) A person who was not required by statute to be licensed
- 22 before the effective date of this act and, on the effective date of
- 23 this act, is licensed by a municipal licensing board as a
- 24 mechanical contractor in 1 or more of the work classifications set
- 25 forth in section 6(3), is required to be licensed under this act,
- 26 and can furnish the department with satisfactory evidence of the
- 27 municipal license shall be granted the license for which the person

- seeks licensure without examination, if the person makes 1 2
- application within 1 year after the effective date of this act and
- pays the initial license fee prescribed in section 10. 3
- (3) A person who was not required by statute to be licensed 4
- before the effective date of this act and, on the effective date of 5
- this act, is employed as a mechanical code inspector for a 6
- governmental subdivision and has engaged in, or worked at, a 7
- business as a mechanical contractor in 1 or more of the work 8
- classifications set forth in section 6(3) for 3 out of the 5 years 9
- immediately preceding the date of the person's employment as a 10
- 11 mechanical code inspector and can furnish the department with
- 12 satisfactory evidence of the employment and mechanical contracting
- experience, shall be granted the license for which the person seeks 13
- 14 licensure without examination if the person makes application
- within 1 year after the effective date of this act and pays the 15
- initial license fee prescribed in section 10. 16
- (4) A person who, on the effective date of this act, is 17
- licensed as a residential maintenance and alteration contractor in 18
- 19 the trade of heating and air conditioning installation pursuant to
- section 2404 of the occupational code, Act No. 299 of the Public 20
- Acts of 1980, being section 339.2404 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, 21
- 22 and can furnish the department with satisfactory evidence of the
- license, may be granted a license under this act in the appropriate 23
- work classification set forth in section 6(3) without examination 24
- if the person makes application within 1 year after the effective 25
- 26 date of this act and pays the initial license fee prescribed in
- 27 section 10.

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         (5) A person who, on the effective date of this act, is
    licensed as a residential builder under article 24 of the
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    occupational code, Act No. 299 of the Public Acts of 1980, being
    sections 339.2401 to 339.2412 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, and
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    license and of having been engaged as a mechanical contractor in 1
    or more of the work classifications set forth in section 6(3)
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    within the 5 years immediately preceding the effective date of this
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    act, may be granted a license under this act in the appropriate
    work classification set forth in section 6(3) without examination
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    section 10.
          (1) (6) The department may license , without examination and
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    upon the payment of the initial license fee prescribed in section
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    10, an applicant who is A legally authorized mechanical contractor
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    in another state or country if the BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT
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    CONSIDER THE licensing requirements of the state or country are
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    considered by the board and the department to be AS substantially
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    equivalent to the licensing requirements of this state and the
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    contractors licensed in this state.
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        (7) The department may license, without examination or payment
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    of the fees prescribed in section 10, an applicant who is certified
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    to install, modify, test, service, inspect, or maintain required
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    fire suppression systems under the fire prevention code, Act No.
    207 of the Public Acts of 1941, being sections 29.1 to 29.33 of the
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- 1 Michigan Compiled Laws and who seeks licensure under this act only
- 2 in the work classification set forth in section 6(3)(g).
- 3 (8) The holder of a license issued pursuant to this section
- 4 shall have the right to renew the license pursuant to section 10.
- 5 (2) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY RENEW A LICENSE GRANTED UNDER THIS
- 6 SECTION IN THE SAME MANNER AS A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE
- 7 ISSUED UNDER SECTION 6.
- 8 SEC. 8A. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS EMPLOYED AS AN APPRENTICE
- 9 TECHNICIAN SHALL REGISTER WITH THE DEPARTMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER
- 10 HE OR SHE BEGINS THAT EMPLOYMENT, ON A FORM PROVIDED BY THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT.
- 12 (2) AN APPRENTICE REGISTRATION EXPIRES 5 YEARS AFTER THE DATE
- 13 OF INITIAL REGISTRATION UNLESS THE REGISTERED APPRENTICE APPLIES
- 14 FOR A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE, AND APPLIES TO TAKE THE NEXT
- 15 SCHEDULED EXAMINATION FOR THAT LICENSE, IN THAT 5-YEAR PERIOD. IF
- 16 THE REGISTERED APPRENTICE APPLIES FOR THE LICENSE AND TO TAKE THE
- 17 EXAMINATION IN THAT 5-YEAR PERIOD, HIS OR HER REGISTRATION REMAINS
- 18 VALID UNTIL HE OR SHE IS ISSUED A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN LICENSE, OR
- 19 FAILS TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION, WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST.
- 20 (3) IF IT RECEIVES A WRITTEN REQUEST FROM THE APPRENTICE
- 21 TECHNICIAN, THE BOARD MAY GRANT AN EXTENSION OF AN APPRENTICE
- 22 REGISTRATION FOR A PERIOD OF TIME THE BOARD DETERMINES IS
- 23 APPROPRIATE.
- 24 (4) AS HIS OR HER PRINCIPAL OCCUPATION, AN APPRENTICE
- 25 TECHNICIAN MUST BE ENGAGED IN LEARNING AND ASSISTING IN THE
- 26 INSTALLATION OR SERVICE OF MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT UNDER THE
- 27 EMPLOYMENT AND SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR.

- 1 HOWEVER, A REGISTERED APPRENTICE MAY PERFORM LIMITED HEATING
- 2 SERVICE OR LIMITED REFRIGERATION AND AIR CONDITIONING SERVICE, OR
- 3 WORK A REGISTERED APPRENTICE IS PERMITTED TO PERFORM UNDER THE
- 4 MICHIGAN RESIDENTIAL CODE, WITHOUT DIRECT SUPERVISION BY A LICENSED
- 5 MECHANICAL JOURNEY TECHNICIAN.
- 6 (5) THE DEPARTMENT MAY PUBLISH THE NAME, REGISTRATION NUMBER,
- 7 AND DATE OF REGISTRATION OF AN APPRENTICE TECHNICIAN REGISTERED
- 8 UNDER THIS SECTION ON ITS WEBSITE OR ELSEWHERE. A REGISTRANT'S
- 9 PERSONAL INFORMATION IS EXEMPT FROM DISCLOSURE UNDER THE FREEDOM OF
- 10 INFORMATION ACT, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 TO 15.246, AND THE
- 11 DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT PUBLISH OR OTHERWISE DISCLOSE THAT
- 12 INFORMATION.
- Sec. 10. (1) Subject to subsection (8), the THE examination
- 14 fee for a MECHANICAL contractor's AND JOURNEY TECHNICIAN'S license
- is \$25.00 if paid after September 30, 2012 and \$100.00. if paid on
- or before September 30, 2012. Except as otherwise provided in
- 17 subsections (2) and $\frac{(4)}{(7)}$, the initial and per year ANNUAL fee
- 18 for the issuance of a MECHANICAL contractor's license is \$75.00 if
- 19 paid after September 30, 2012 and \$100.00 if paid on or before
- 20 September 30, 2012. AND THE INITIAL AND ANNUAL FEE FOR THE ISSUANCE
- 21 OF A JOURNEY TECHNICIAN'S LICENSE IS \$75.00.
- 22 (2) An initial or renewal MECHANICAL contractor's OR JOURNEY
- 23 TECHNICIAN'S license issued under this act expires on August 31
- 24 every third year and is renewable IF THE LICENSEE SUBMITS A RENEWAL
- 25 APPLICATION AND PAYS THE LICENSE FEE not later than October 31 upon
- 26 application and payment of the license fee OF THAT YEAR. For IF a
- 27 person IS applying for an initial or reinstatement REINSTATED

- 1 MECHANICAL contractor's OR JOURNEY TECHNICIAN'S license at a time
- 2 other than between August 31 and October 31 of the year in which
- 3 the department issues renewal licenses, the department shall
- 4 compute and charge the license fee on a yearly pro rata basis
- 5 beginning in the year of the application until the last year of the
- 6 3-year license cycle. All licenses A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S OR
- 7 JOURNEY TECHNICIAN'S LICENSE THAT IS not renewed are void and
- 8 BEFORE IT EXPIRES may ONLY be reinstated only upon application BY
- 9 APPLYING for reinstatement AND PAYING A REINSTATEMENT FEE OF \$50.00
- 10 and the payment of the ANY UNPAID license fee FEES WITH THE
- 11 APPLICATION. A person who renews his or her license within 3 years
- 12 after the license is voided pursuant to this section is not subject
- 13 to reexamination for the license.
- 14 (3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL SEND A RENEWAL APPLICATION TO THE
- 15 LAST KNOWN ADDRESS ON FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EACH PERSON
- 16 LICENSED UNDER THIS ACT WITHIN THE 60-DAY PERIOD PRECEDING THE
- 17 EXPIRATION OF A LICENSE.
- 18 (4) A PERSON LICENSED UNDER THIS ACT SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE
- 19 DEPARTMENT OF ANY CHANGE IN HIS OR HER BUSINESS OR RESIDENCE
- 20 ADDRESS WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THAT CHANGE. A NOTIFICATION OR FAILURE
- 21 OF A LICENSEE TO NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION DOES
- 22 NOT AFFECT THE EXPIRATION DATE OF A LICENSE.
- 23 (5) THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT REQUIRE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL
- 24 REQUESTING RENEWAL OF A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR'S OR JOURNEY
- 25 TECHNICIAN'S LICENSE WITHIN 3 YEARS AFTER HIS OR HER LICENSE
- 26 EXPIRED RETAKE THE EXAMINATION FOR THAT LICENSE, BUT HE OR SHE IS
- 27 REQUIRED TO PAY THE REINSTATEMENT FEE AND A PRO RATA AMOUNT OF ANY

- 1 UNPAID RENEWAL FEE THAT IS FOR EACH YEAR HE OR SHE DID NOT RENEW
- 2 THE EXPIRED LICENSE. AN INDIVIDUAL WHO FAILS TO RENEW A LICENSE FOR
- 3 1 LICENSE CYCLE IS REQUIRED TO MEET THE EXPERIENCE AND OTHER
- 4 REQUIREMENTS AND TAKE AN EXAMINATION FOR THE CLASS OF LICENSE HE OR
- 5 SHE SEEKS TO RENEW.
- 6 (6) (3) Beginning July 23, 2004, the department shall issue an
- 7 initial or renewal license not later than WITHIN 90 days after the
- 8 applicant files a completed application. Receipt of the AN
- 9 application is considered FILED ON the date the application is
- 10 received by any agency or department of the THIS state. of
- 11 Michigan. If the AN application is considered incomplete by the
- 12 department, the department shall notify the applicant OF ANY
- 13 DEFICIENCIES in writing, or make the information NOTIFICATION
- 14 electronically available, within 30 days after receipt of the
- 15 FILING OF THE incomplete application, describing the deficiency and
- 16 requesting the additional information NEEDED TO MAKE THE
- 17 APPLICATION COMPLETE. The 90-day period is tolled upon notification
- 18 FROM THE DATE OF THE NOTIFICATION by the department of a-THE
- 19 deficiency until the date the requested information is received by
- 20 the department. The determination of the completeness of an
- 21 application does not operate as an approval of the application for
- 22 the-A license and does not confer eligibility of an applicant
- 23 determined THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINES IS otherwise ineligible for
- 24 issuance of a license. IF AN APPLICANT FAILS TO COMPLETE AN
- 25 APPLICATION IN THE TIME PERIODS AND MANNER DESCRIBED IN THIS
- 26 SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REJECT THE APPLICATION AND SHALL
- 27 NOT ISSUE A LICENSE IF IT DOES NOT RECEIVE A NEW APPLICATION AND

- 1 FEE.
- 2 (7) (4)—If the department fails to issue or deny a license
- 3 within the time required by this section PERIOD DESCRIBED IN
- 4 SUBSECTION (6), the department shall return the license fee TO THE
- 5 APPLICANT and shall reduce the license fee for the applicant's next
- 6 renewal application, if any, by 15%. The A failure to issue a
- 7 license within the time required under this section PERIOD
- 8 DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6) does not allow the department to
- 9 otherwise delay the processing of the application, and THE
- 10 DEPARTMENT SHALL PROCESS that application, upon completion WHEN
- 11 COMPLETED, shall be placed in sequence with other completed
- 12 applications received at that same time. The department shall not
- 13 discriminate against an applicant in the processing of the
- 14 application based upon ON the fact that the A license fee was
- 15 refunded or discounted under this subsection.
- 16 (8) (5) Beginning October 1, 2005, the director of the
- 17 department shall submit a report by December 1 of each year to the
- 18 standing committees and appropriations subcommittees of the senate
- 19 and house of representatives concerned with occupational issues.
- 20 The director shall include all of the following information in the
- 21 report concerning the preceding fiscal year:
- 22 (a) The number of initial and renewal applications the
- 23 department received and completed within-IN the 90-day time period
- 24 described in subsection (3). (6).
- 25 (b) The number of applications denied BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 26 (c) The number of applicants WHO WERE not issued a license
- 27 within the 90-day time period and the DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (6).

- 1 (D) THE amount of money returned to licensees under subsection
- $2 \frac{(4)}{(7)}$.
- 3 (9) (6)—All fees and money received by the department for the
- 4 licensing of persons under this act, and any other income received
- 5 under this act EXCEPT THE PROCEEDS OF CRIMINAL FINES, shall be paid
- 6 into the state construction code fund created by section 22 of the
- 7 Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act, 1972 PA
- 8 230, MCL 125.1522.
- 9 (10) (7) The department shall annually submit to the members
- 10 of the legislature a comprehensive report detailing the expenditure
- 11 of additional money resulting from the 1989 amendatory act that
- 12 increased the fees contained in this section.
- 13 (8) As used in this section, "completed application" means an
- 14 application complete on its face and submitted with any applicable
- 15 licensing fees as well as any other information, records, approval,
- 16 security, or similar item required by law or rule from a local unit
- 17 of government, a federal agency, or a private entity but not from
- 18 another department or agency of the state of Michigan.
- 19 SEC. 10A. (1) IF A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION IS LOST OR
- 20 DESTROYED, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ISSUE A NEW LICENSE OR
- 21 REGISTRATION, WITHOUT EXAMINATION, IF IT RECEIVES FROM THE LICENSEE
- 22 OR REGISTRANT A \$30.00 FEE AND A WRITTEN STATEMENT FROM THE
- 23 LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT THAT THE LICENSE OR REGISTRATION HAS BEEN
- 24 LOST OR DESTROYED.
- 25 (2) A MECHANICAL CONTRACTOR, JOURNEY TECHNICIAN, OR APPRENTICE
- 26 TECHNICIAN IS REQUIRED TO CARRY HIS OR HER LICENSE OR REGISTRATION
- 27 AND A PHOTO IDENTIFICATION WHILE PERFORMING ACTIVITIES REGULATED

- 1 UNDER THIS ACT. IF REQUESTED BY A REPRESENTATIVE OF AN ENFORCING
- 2 AGENCY, A LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT SHALL PRESENT HIS OR HER LICENSE
- 3 OR REGISTRATION AND PHOTO IDENTIFICATION TO THAT REPRESENTATIVE.
- 4 SEC. 10B. IF AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED UNDER THIS ACT IS EMPLOYED
- 5 OR ACTING AS A MECHANICAL INSPECTOR, HE OR SHE SHALL NOT DO ANY OF
- 6 THE FOLLOWING:
- 7 (A) ENGAGE IN, OR BE DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH, A
- 8 MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION BUSINESS, INCLUDING, BUT NOT
- 9 LIMITED TO, THE FURNISHING OF LABOR, MATERIALS, OR APPLIANCES FOR
- 10 THE CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, OR MAINTENANCE OF A BUILDING OR THE
- 11 PREPARATION OF PLANS OR SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION,
- 12 ALTERATION, OR MAINTENANCE OF A BUILDING.
- 13 (B) ENGAGE IN ANY WORK THAT CONFLICTS WITH HIS OR HER OFFICIAL
- 14 DUTIES AS AN INSPECTOR.
- 15 Sec. 11. (1) The department may investigate the activities of
- 16 a licensee OR REGISTRANT related to the licensee's activities as a
- 17 contractor. The OF THE LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT REGULATED UNDER THIS
- 18 ACT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, ANY ALLEGATIONS OF A VIOLATION
- 19 OF SUBSECTION (2). FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE department
- 20 may hold hearings, administer oaths, and order relevant testimony
- 21 to be taken and shall report its findings to the board. The board
- 22 shall proceed under section 16 if the board finds that any of the
- 23 following grounds exist:
- 24 (2) EACH OF THE FOLLOWING IS A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT, AND THE
- 25 BOARD SHALL PROCEED UNDER SECTION 16 IF IT FINDS THAT A VIOLATION
- 26 OF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING HAS OCCURRED:
- 27 (a) The practice of fraud FRAUD or deceit in obtaining a

- 1 license under this act.
- 2 (b) The practice of fraud FRAUD or deceit in the performance
- 3 of work for which a license OR REGISTRATION is required under this
- 4 act.
- 5 (c) An act of gross negligence.
- 6 (d) The practice of false FALSE advertising.
- 7 (e) An act that demonstrates incompetence.
- 8 (f) A violation of this act or a rule promulgated under this
- 9 act.
- 10 (3) (2) The department shall conduct a review upon—IF IT
- 11 RECEIVES notice by FROM the department of public COMMUNITY health
- 12 that the A licensee has violated the asbestos abatement contractors
- 13 licensing act, 1986 PA 135, MCL 338.3101 to 338.3319, and THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT A REVIEW AND may suspend or revoke that
- 15 person's license for a knowing violation of that act.
- 16 (3) A revocation, suspension, or other sanction set forth in
- 17 subsection (2) or section 16 shall be imposed only after a hearing
- 18 has been conducted pursuant to the administrative procedures act of
- 19 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- 20 (4) The installation, alteration, or servicing of heating,
- 21 cooling, ventilating, or refrigerating equipment or systems shall
- 22 not be performed A PERSON SHALL NOT PERFORM AN ACTIVITY REGULATED
- 23 UNDER THIS ACT under a license that has been suspended, revoked, or
- 24 has expired LICENSE. A license, other than a license issued under
- 25 this act, shall not be recognized for securing permits
- 26 (5) AN ENFORCING AGENCY SHALL ONLY RECOGNIZE A LICENSE ISSUED
- 27 UNDER THIS ACT AS A VALID LICENSE FOR SECURING AN APPROPRIATE

- 1 MECHANICAL PERMIT to install, alter, or service A heating, cooling,
- 2 ventilating, or refrigerating equipment or systems.
- 3 SEC. 11A. (1) IF IT RECEIVES A COMPLAINT ALLEGING THAT A
- 4 VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED OR ORDER ISSUED UNDER
- 5 THIS ACT HAS OCCURRED, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL IMMEDIATELY BEGIN AN
- 6 INVESTIGATION OF THE ALLEGATIONS OF THE COMPLAINT. WITHIN 15 DAYS
- 7 AFTER RECEIVING THE COMPLAINT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOTIFY THE
- 8 PERSON THAT MADE THE COMPLAINT IN WRITING THAT IT RECEIVED THE
- 9 COMPLAINT. IF THE DEPARTMENT MADE THE COMPLAINT, THE DIRECTOR SHALL
- 10 DESIGNATE 1 OR MORE EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT TO ACT AS THE
- 11 PERSON THAT MADE THE COMPLAINT. AS PART OF ITS INVESTIGATION, THE
- 12 DEPARTMENT MAY REQUEST THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL PETITION THE
- 13 CIRCUIT COURT TO ISSUE A SUBPOENA REQUIRING A PERSON TO APPEAR
- 14 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT AND BE EXAMINED WITH REFERENCE TO ANY MATTER
- 15 WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THE INVESTIGATION AND TO PRODUCE BOOKS, PAPERS,
- 16 OR DOCUMENTS PERTAINING TO THE INVESTIGATION.
- 17 (2) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES THE
- 18 COMPLAINT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR ON THE
- 19 STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION. IF, FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN, AN
- 20 INVESTIGATION CANNOT BE COMPLETED WITHIN 30 DAYS, THE DIRECTOR MAY
- 21 EXTEND THE 30-DAY TIME PERIOD.
- 22 (3) IF THE REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (2) DOES
- 23 NOT DISCLOSE A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED OR AN
- 24 ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL END THE
- 25 INVESTIGATION AND CLOSE THE COMPLAINT. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PROVIDE
- 26 THE REASONS IT CLOSED THE COMPLAINT TO THE PERSON THAT MADE THE
- 27 COMPLAINT AND THE PERSON THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE COMPLAINT, AND

- 1 EITHER PERSON MAY THEN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO REOPEN THE
- 2 COMPLAINT TO THE DEPARTMENT.
- 3 (4) IF THE REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (2)
- 4 DISCLOSES EVIDENCE OF A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT OR A RULE PROMULGATED
- 5 OR ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT, THE DEPARTMENT OR THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 6 ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL PREPARE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION AGAINST THE
- 7 PERSON THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THE COMPLAINT. THAT ACTION MAY
- 8 INCLUDE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (A) A FORMAL COMPLAINT SEEKING A PENALTY OR REMEDY UNDER
- 10 SECTION 15 OR 16.
- 11 (B) A CEASE AND DESIST ORDER.
- 12 (C) A NOTICE OF SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF A LICENSE OR
- 13 REGISTRATION.
- 14 (5) AT ANY TIME DURING ITS INVESTIGATION OR AFTER A FORMAL
- 15 COMPLAINT IS ISSUED, THE DEPARTMENT MAY BRING TOGETHER THE PERSON
- 16 THAT MADE THE COMPLAINT AND THE PERSON THAT WAS THE SUBJECT OF THE
- 17 COMPLAINT FOR AN INFORMAL CONFERENCE. AT THE INFORMAL CONFERENCE,
- 18 THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ATTEMPT TO RESOLVE ISSUES RAISED IN THE
- 19 COMPLAINT AND MAY ATTEMPT TO AID THE PARTIES IN REACHING A FORMAL
- 20 SETTLEMENT OR RESOLUTION OF THE COMPLAINT.
- 21 Sec. 13. (1) A-IF A MECHANICAL contractor licensed under this
- 22 act who performs work in a governmental subdivision, HE OR SHE
- 23 shall register his or her license with the enforcing agency which
- 24 THAT issues MECHANICAL permits and provides inspection services of
- 25 MECHANICAL contractor's work FOR THAT SUBDIVISION. The A
- 26 registration shall be valid until UNDER THIS SUBSECTION EXPIRES ON
- 27 the expiration date of the INDIVIDUAL'S MECHANICAL contractor's

- 1 license. Registration shall be granted by all
- 2 (2) EACH governmental subdivisions—SUBDIVISION in this state
- 3 SHALL GRANT REGISTRATION to a MECHANICAL contractor ON REQUEST IF
- 4 HE OR SHE IS licensed under this act upon payment of a fee not to
- 5 exceed \$15.00 AND PAYS A FEE TO THAT SUBDIVISION, IN AN AMOUNT
- 6 ESTABLISHED BY THAT SUBDIVISION, THAT DOES NOT EXCEED \$45.00 PER
- 7 LICENSING CYCLE.
- 8 Sec. 14. (1) The owner of a single-family dwelling which THAT
- 9 is, or upon—ON completion becomes, the owner's place of residence
- 10 may personally install a heating or refrigerating AIR CONDITIONING
- 11 system in the dwelling if the owner , upon application APPLIES for
- 12 a permit -AND affirms IN THE APPLICATION that he or she is the
- owner and occupant of the dwelling, or shall become the owner and
- 14 occupant upon ON completion of the dwelling in which the
- 15 installation is done, and that the applicant will install the
- 16 equipment in the dwelling for which the permit is requested. The
- 17 (2) AN applicant DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1) shall apply for
- 18 and secure the ANY required MECHANICAL permits from the enforcing
- 19 agency of the governmental subdivision and shall obtain the
- 20 required MECHANICAL inspection after the installation is completed
- 21 and the equipment is placed in operation.
- 22 Sec. 15. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), an
- 23 individual, partnership, association, or corporation who violates
- 24 this act is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not
- 25 more than \$500.00, or imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or
- 26 both.
- 27 (2) A member of the board who intentionally violates section

- 1 4(4) shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in the open
- 2 meetings act, Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, being
- 3 sections 15.261 to 15.275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.
- 4 (1) IF AN INDIVIDUAL LICENSED OR REGISTERED UNDER THIS ACT
- 5 COMMITS A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT, HE OR SHE MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY A
- 6 CIVIL FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$1,000.00 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY THE
- 7 VIOLATION CONTINUES, EXCEPT THAT A FINE SHALL NOT EXCEED \$5,000.00
- 8 IN TOTAL PER VIOLATION. FOR A SECOND OR SUBSEQUENT VIOLATION, A
- 9 LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT MAY BE ORDERED TO PAY A CIVIL FINE OF NOT
- 10 LESS THAN \$2,000.00 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY THE VIOLATION CONTINUES,
- 11 EXCEPT THAT A FINE SHALL NOT EXCEED \$10,000.00 IN TOTAL PER
- 12 VIOLATION.
- 13 (2) A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO INTENTIONALLY VIOLATES SECTION
- 14 5(4) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.265, IS SUBJECT
- 15 TO THE PENALTIES IMPOSED UNDER THAT ACT.
- 16 (3) IF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS NOT LICENSED OR REGISTERED UNDER
- 17 THIS ACT PERFORMS ANY WORK REGULATED BY THIS ACT, AND IS NOT EXEMPT
- 18 FROM LICENSURE OR REGISTRATION UNDER THIS ACT, HE OR SHE IS GUILTY
- 19 OF A MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT LESS THAN \$2,500.00
- 20 PER DAY FOR EACH DAY THE VIOLATION CONTINUES, EXCEPT THAT A FINE
- 21 SHALL NOT EXCEED \$25,000.00 IN TOTAL PER VIOLATION, OR PUNISHABLE
- 22 BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR, OR BOTH.
- 23 (4) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OR A LOCAL PROSECUTING ATTORNEY MAY
- 24 INITIATE AN ACTION TO ENFORCE THIS ACT, RULES PROMULGATED UNDER
- 25 THIS ACT, OR AN ORDER ISSUED UNDER THIS ACT.
- Sec. 16. (1) After finding the existence of 1 or more of the
- 27 grounds for board action described in section 11(1) and after IF

- 1 THE BOARD FINDS THAT A PERSON HAS VIOLATED SECTION 11(2), AFTER
- 2 PROVIDING THAT PERSON an opportunity for a hearing, the board shall
- 3 impose 1 or more of the following sanctions for each violation:
- 4 (a) Suspension of the A license OR REGISTRATION issued under
- 5 this act.
- 6 (b) Denial of the A license required OR REGISTRATION ISSUED
- 7 under this act.
- 8 (c) Revocation of the A license OR REGISTRATION issued under
- 9 this act.
- 10 (d) A requirement that FOR PAYMENT OF restitution. be made.
- 11 (E) DENIAL OF RENEWAL OF A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION ISSUED
- 12 UNDER THIS ACT.
- 13 (F) CENSURE OF THE LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT.
- 14 (G) PROBATION.
- 15 (H) IF A PERSON IS A LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT, AN ADMINISTRATIVE
- 16 FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$2,500.00. IF THE BOARD FINDS THAT THE PERSON
- 17 HAS COMMITTED 2 OR MORE VIOLATIONS OF SECTION 11(2) IN A 1-YEAR
- 18 PERIOD, THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE AN ADMINISTRATIVE FINE OF NOT MORE
- 19 THAN 2 TIMES THAT AMOUNT, AND IF IT FINDS 3 OR MORE VIOLATIONS IN A
- 20 2-YEAR PERIOD, THE BOARD MAY IMPOSE AN ADMINISTRATIVE FINE OF NOT
- 21 MORE THAN 3 TIMES THAT AMOUNT.
- 22 (2) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER SANCTION DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION
- 23 (1), IF THE BOARD FINDS THAT A LICENSEE OR REGISTRANT HAS VIOLATED
- 24 SECTION 11(2) AT LEAST 3 TIMES IN A 2-YEAR PERIOD, THE BOARD MUST
- 25 REVOKE THE PERSON'S LICENSE OR REGISTRATION AND SHALL NOT ISSUE
- 26 THAT PERSON ANOTHER LICENSE OR REGISTRATION IF THE PERSON REAPPLIES
- 27 FOR A LICENSE OR REGISTRATION OF THE SAME TYPE.

- 1 (3) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, 1 OR MORE VIOLATIONS THAT
- 2 OCCUR ON THE SAME DATE ON THE SAME JOBSITE ARE CONSIDERED 1
- 3 VIOLATION.