SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 6046

A bill to amend 1972 PA 230, entitled "Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act," by amending section 4 (MCL 125.1504), as amended by 1999 PA 245.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4. (1) The director shall prepare and promulgate the
- 2 state construction code consisting of rules governing the
- 3 construction, use, and occupation of buildings and structures,
- 4 including land area incidental to the buildings and structures,
- 5 the manufacture and installation of building components and
- 6 equipment, the construction and installation of premanufactured
- 7 units, the standards and requirements for materials to be used in
- 8 connection with the units, and other requirements relating to the
- 9 safety, including safety from fire, and sanitation facilities of
- 10 the buildings and structures.
- 11 (2) Until the date sections 2a, 3a, 8a, 8b, and 9b apply,

- 1 the code shall consist of nationally recognized model building
- 2 codes, other nationally recognized model codes and standards, and
- 3 amendments, additions, or deletions to the building code or other
- 4 codes and standards as the director determines appropriate.
- 5 After the date sections 2, 3, 8, 9, and 9a are repealed, the The
- 6 code shall consist of the international residential code, the
- 7 international building code, the international mechanical code,
- 8 the international plumbing code published by the international
- 9 code council, the national electrical code published by the
- 10 national fire prevention association, and the Michigan uniform
- 11 energy code with amendments, additions, or deletions as the
- 12 director determines appropriate.
- 13 (3) The code shall be designed to effectuate the general
- 14 purposes of this act and the following objectives and standards:
- 15 (a) To provide standards and requirements for construction
- 16 and construction materials consistent with nationally recognized
- 17 standards and requirements.
- (b) To formulate standards and requirements, to the extent
- 19 practicable in terms of performance objectives, so as to make
- 20 adequate performance for the use intended the test of
- 21 acceptability.
- 22 (c) To permit to the fullest extent feasible the use of
- 23 modern technical methods, devices, and improvements, including
- 24 premanufactured units, consistent with reasonable requirements
- 25 for the health, safety, and welfare of the occupants and users of
- 26 buildings and structures.
- 27 (d) To eliminate restrictive, obsolete, conflicting, and

- 1 unnecessary construction regulations that tend to increase
- 2 construction costs unnecessarily or restrict the use of new
- 3 materials, products, or methods of construction, or provide
- 4 preferential treatment to types or classes of materials or
- 5 products or methods of construction.
- **6** (e) To insure adequate maintenance of buildings and
- 7 structures throughout this state and to adequately protect the
- 8 health, safety, and welfare of the people.
- 9 (f) To provide standards and requirements for cost-effective
- 10 energy efficiency that will be effective April 1, 1997.
- 11 (g) Upon periodic review, to continue to seek ever-improving,
- 12 cost-effective energy efficiencies.
- 13 (h) The development of a voluntary consumer information
- 14 system relating to energy efficiencies.
- 15 (4) The code shall be divided into sections as the director
- 16 considers appropriate including, without limitation, building,
- 17 plumbing, electrical, and mechanical sections. The boards shall
- 18 participate in and work with the staff of the director in the
- 19 preparation of parts relating to their functions. Before the
- 20 promulgation of an amendment to the code, the boards whose
- 21 functions relate to that code shall be permitted to draft and
- 22 recommend to the director proposed language. The director shall
- 23 give consideration to all submissions by the boards. However,
- 24 the director has final responsibility for the promulgation of the
- **25** code.
- 26 (5) The code may incorporate the provisions of a code,
- 27 standard, or other material by reference. The director shall

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- 1 add, amend, and rescind rules to update the code not less than
- 2 once every 3 years to coincide with the national code change
- 3 cycle.
- 4 (6) Before the Michigan building code, the Michigan
- 5 residential code, the Michigan plumbing code, the Michigan
- 6 mechanical code, the Michigan uniform energy code, and the
- 7 Michigan rehabilitation code may be enforced, the director shall
- 8 make each Michigan-specific code available to the general public
- 9 for at least [45] days in printed, electronic, or other form that
- 10 does not require the user to purchase additional documents or
- 11 data in any form in order to have an updated complete version of
- 12 those codes.