SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 1234

A bill to amend 1965 PA 290, entitled "Boiler act of 1965," by amending section 4a (MCL 408.754a), as amended by 1986 PA

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 4a. (1) The board, with the advice of the director,
- 2 shall promulgate rules pursuant to the administrative procedures
- 3 act of 1969, Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as
- 4 amended, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of the Michigan Compiled
- 5 Laws 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, to establish the fee
- 6 schedules for licenses, permits, certificates, and inspections.
- 7 The fees shall reflect the actual costs and expenses for the
- 8 department of labor and economic growth in issuing licenses,
- 9 permits, and certificates and in conducting inspections.
- 10 (2) Beginning the effective date of the amendatory act that

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- 1 added subsection (3), the department of labor and economic growth
- 2 shall issue an initial or renewal license to install or repair a
- 3 boiler or a permit for the installation or repair of a boiler not
- 4 later than 90 days after the applicant files a completed
- 5 application. Receipt of the application is considered the date
- 6 the application is received by any agency or department of the
- 7 state of Michigan. If the application is considered incomplete
- 8 by the department of labor and economic growth, the department of
- 9 labor and economic growth shall notify the applicant in writing,
- 10 or make the information electronically available, within 30 days
- 11 after receipt of the incomplete application, describing the
- 12 deficiency and requesting the additional information. The 90-day
- 13 period is tolled upon notification by the department of labor and
- 14 economic growth of a deficiency until the date the requested
- 15 information is received by the department of labor and economic
- 16 growth. The determination of the completeness of an application
- 17 does not operate as an approval of the application for the
- 18 license or permit and does not confer eligibility of an applicant
- 19 determined otherwise ineligible for issuance of a license or
- 20 permit.
- 21 (3) If the department of labor and economic growth fails to
- 22 issue or deny a license or permit within the time required by
- 23 this section, the department of labor and economic growth shall
- 24 return the license or permit fee and shall reduce the license or
- 25 permit fee for the applicant's next renewal application, if any,
- 26 by 15%. The failure to issue a license or permit within the time
- 27 required under this subsection does not allow the department to

- 1 otherwise delay the processing of the application, and that
- 2 application, upon completion, shall be placed in sequence with
- 3 other completed applications received at that same time. The
- 4 department of labor and economic growth shall not discriminate
- 5 against an applicant in the processing of the application based
- 6 upon the fact that the license or permit fee was refunded or
- 7 discounted under this subsection.
- 8 (4) Beginning October 1, 2005, the director shall submit a
- 9 report by December 1 of each year to the standing committees and
- 10 appropriations subcommittees of the senate and house of
- 11 representatives concerned with occupational issues. The director
- 12 shall include all of the following information in the report
- 13 concerning the preceding fiscal year:
- 14 (a) The number of initial and renewal applications the
- 15 department received and completed within the 90-day time period
- 16 described in subsection (2).
- 17 (b) The number of applications denied.
- 18 (c) The number of applicants not issued a license within the
- 19 90-day time period and the amount of money returned to licensees
- 20 and registrants under subsection (3).
- 21 (5) -(2) To accomplish the objectives of this section and
- 22 this act, a state boiler inspection fund is created in the state
- 23 treasury. The state treasurer -shall be- is the custodian of the
- 24 fund and may invest the surplus of the fund. -in investments as
- 25 in the state treasurer's judgment are in the best interest of the
- 26 fund. Earnings from those investments shall be credited to the
- 27 fund. The state treasurer shall notify the director and the

- 1 Legislature of interest credited and the balance of the fund as
- 2 of September 30 of each year. The director shall supervise and
- 3 administer the fund. Fees received by the department of labor
- 4 and economic growth and money collected under this act shall be
- 5 deposited in the state boiler inspection fund and shall be
- 6 appropriated by the Legislature for the operations of the boiler
- 7 division and indirect overhead expenses in the department of
- 8 labor and economic growth. Funds that are unexpended at the end
- 9 of each fiscal year shall not lapse to the general fund and shall
- 10 be returned to the state boiler inspection fund.
- 11 (6) As used in this section, "completed application" means an
- 12 application complete on its face and submitted with any
- 13 applicable licensing or permit fees as well as any other
- 14 information, records, approval, security, or similar item
- 15 required by law or rule from a local unit of government, a
- 16 federal agency, or a private entity but not from another
- 17 department or agency of the state of Michigan.