

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Plumbing License Law is amended by
5 changing Section 35 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 320/35) (from Ch. 111, par. 1133)

7 Sec. 35. The Department shall promulgate and publish and
8 may from time to time amend a minimum code of standards for
9 plumbing and the fixtures, materials, design and installation
10 methods of plumbing systems based upon the findings of the
11 sciences of pneumatics and hydraulics, after consideration of
12 the recommendations of the Plumbing Code Advisory Council. By
13 January 1, 2013, the Plumbing Code Advisory Council shall
14 recommend amendments to the existing minimum code of standards
15 for plumbing and the fixtures, materials, design, and
16 installation methods of plumbing systems to reflect advances in
17 those technologies and methods that more efficiently utilize
18 natural resources and protect public health. Upon
19 consideration of those recommendations, the Department shall
20 submit the amendments to the existing minimum code of standards
21 to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules by May 31, 2013.
22 The Department may promulgate and publish rules in the State's
23 minimum code of standards for the minimum number of plumbing

1 fixtures required for the comfort and convenience of workers
2 and the public not inconsistent with, but not limited to, the
3 requirements of the federal Americans With Disabilities Act,
4 the Equitable Restrooms Act, and the U.S. Department of Labor,
5 Office of Safety and Health Administration. The minimum code of
6 standards for plumbing and any amendments thereto shall be
7 filed with the Secretary of State as a public record. In
8 preparing plumbing code standards and amendments thereto the
9 Department may give consideration to the recommendations
10 contained in nationally recognized plumbing codes and
11 recommendations of nationally recognized material and
12 equipment testing laboratories. The plumbing code promulgated
13 by the Department under authority of this Act shall remain in
14 effect as the minimum code authorized by this Act until the
15 Department promulgates a new code under authority of this Act.
16 At least 20 days' notice of a public hearing shall be given by
17 the Department in a manner which the Department considers
18 adequate to bring the hearing to the attention of persons
19 interested in plumbing code standards. Notice of any public
20 hearing shall be given by the Department to those who file a
21 request for a notice of hearings.

22 (Source: P.A. 87-885.)

23 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
24 becoming law.