## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES ON UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, SAFETY CODE FOR ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS, BOILER AND PRESSURE VESSEL CODE AND API PRESSURE RELIEF TESTING VALVE STANDARDS IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## **BRIEF DESCRIPTION**

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to change regulations in Title 8 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with uniform plumbing code, safety code for elevators and escalators, boiler and pressure vessel code and API pressure relief testing valve standards.

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 8 of the Alaska Administrative Code.

8 AAC 63.010, 8 AAC 80.010, 8 AAC 90.130-8 AAC 90.165 and 8 AAC 90.900 are proposed to be repealed and readopted to reorganize existing material; adopt current versions of uniform codes; clarify existing language; update methods; and eliminate the apprenticeship registration requirement for plumbing and electrical trainees.

8 AAC 77.005, 8 AAC 80.060(b), 8 AAC 80.070(a), 8 AAC 80.110, 8 AAC 80.130, 8 AAC 80.900 and 8 AAC 90 are proposed to be amended to clarify existing language; adopt versions of uniform codes; adopt the API pressure relief testing valve standard; add new subsection relating to testing and inspection program; and add new section and Article on student trainee certificate of fitness.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Becky Weimer, Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety, P.O. Box 111149, Juneau, AK 99811-1149. Additionally, you may submit comments by facsimile at (907) 465-3584 and by electronic mail at <u>dol.lss.regulations@alaska.gov</u>. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System by accessing this notice on the system and using the comment link. The comments must be received not later than 4:00 p.m. on January 13, 2020.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Becky Weimer by e-mail at <u>dol.lss.regulations@alaska.gov</u> or by mail to the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety, P.O. Box 111149, Juneau, AK 99811-1149. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Department will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and responses available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Becky Weimer at (907) 465-6002 not later than January 3, 2020 to ensure that any necessary accommodation can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System or by contacting Becky Weimer, Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety, P.O. Box 111149, Juneau, AK 99811-1149 or dol.lss.regulations@alaska.gov or (907) 465-6002.

A copy of material proposed for adoption by reference may be viewed at the agency's office at 1251 Muldoon Road, Suite 113, Anchorage, AK 99504.

After the public comment period ends, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulation may be different from that of the proposed regulation. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

Statutory authority: AS 05.20.070; AS 18.60.800; AS 18.62.060

**Statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific:** AS 18.60.180; AS 18.60.315; AS 18.60.395; AS 18.60.705; AS 18.60.710; AS 18.60.800; AS 18.62.020; AS 18.62.030; AS 18.62.050; AS 18.62.060; AS 18.62.070; AS 23.05.060

**Fiscal information:** The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Date: \_\_\_\_4 December 2019\_\_\_

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Dr. Tamika L. Ledbetter, Commissioner Department of Labor and Workforce Development