

FORM 16

HOUSING COST IMPACT STATEMENT

This Statement shall be completed only if the agency marks a box(es) in #1 based on a model code developed by a national or international organization of trade professionals.

1. Our agency has determined that the proposed rule(s) prescribe new standard(s) or requirement(s) for building or remodeling a residential structure with regard to (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ Electrical systems
- ☒ Plumbing systems
- ☐ Mechanical systems
- ☐ Energy conservation
- ☐ Fire prevention
- ☐ Other

2. Briefly describe the standard(s) and requirement(s):

The first proposed change is to correct a typo and change the word 'mail' to 'main.' The second proposed change replaces the words 'shall not' with 'may' and the result allows plastic pipe to be tested with air. The third change is to correct a typo in the spelling of the word 'plumbing.'

3. Provide a brief discussion of the necessity of each standard or requirement:

The state plumbing code is necessary to keep the citizens of our state and their property safe from the hazards associated with unsafe drinking water and unsafe waste disposal facilities. It is also the responsibility of the Plumbing Commission to comply with SDCL §§ 36-25-15 and 36-25-15.1. The proposed rule changes are to correct typos and add back a section that had been removed in error. The first proposed change is necessary to reflect the correct requirement and ensure that correct installation. The second proposed change is necessary as it corrects an error of the wording being removed during the previous adoption earlier this year. The third is to correct a misspelling.

4. Provide the average estimated cost (i.e., total cost to the consumer of all materials, labor, and taxes) of compliance, per dwelling unit, with each standard or requirement:

The average estimated cost difference with this proposed rule change to 20:54:02:01 is \$0.

5. Provide the name, city of residence, and licensed trade of three licensed contractors or other applicable building trades professionals operating in the state consulted on the estimate, and their estimates:

i. Name: Tom Hines City: Wentworth Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor

- Cost estimate of compliance: \$0
- Explanation of estimate: In preparation of the state code classes that I teach I had gone through the new 2024 code very thoroughly and was able to confidently assure everyone that nothing in this new code is going to increase the cost of doing the PLUMBING on any new home or project. And I still stand by that. Correcting the typos that we are referring to again does not have any effect whatsoever on the adopted 2024 code.

Signature: 
Tom Hines (Aug 31, 2026 17:42:48 CDT)

Date: 08/31/2026

ii. Name: Brett Wheelhouse City: Pierre Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor

- Cost estimate of compliance: \$0
- Explanation of estimate: There have not been any changes to the code to affect the cost of this type of plumbing.

Signature:  Date: 08/31/2026
Brett Wheelhouse (Aug 31, 2026 18:56:08 CDT)

iii. Name: Barry Akley City: Rapid City Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor

- Cost estimate of compliance: \$0
- Explanation of estimate: Correcting the typos in the 2024 UPC would not change or affect the plumbing bid.

Signature: Barry W Akley Date: 08/31/2026
Barry W Akley (Aug 31, 2026 15:35:42 MDT)

6. This statement was published on the agency's website starting on the following date:
September 2, 2026 at the following url: <https://dlr.sd.gov/plumbing>.

8-31-26
[Date]


Marcia Hultman, Cabinet Secretary

Department of Labor and Regulation

This Housing Cost Impact Statement must be signed by the head of the agency or the presiding officer of the board or commission empowered to adopt rules.

A general explanation must be provided for each proposed rule or rule amendment. For multiple proposed rules with a single purpose and impact, only one explanation is required.

"Residential structure" means any one-family dwelling, two-family dwelling, or townhouse not more than three stories above grade.